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PRESENT: Cr Peter Shinton (Chairman), Cr Andrews, Cr Capel, Cr Clancy, Cr

Coe, Cr Schmidt, Cr C Sullivan, Cr R Sullivan, Cr Todd, General Manager (Steve Loane), Director Corporate & Community Services (Stefan Murru), Director Technical Services (Kevin Tighe) and

Director Development Services (Leeanne Ryan).

In attendance: Administration Officer (Leigh Ernest) (minutes)

The Mayor called for Declarations of Pecuniary and Non Pecuniary Interest Cr Schmidt declared a non pecuniary interest in item 22 – Night Rider Bus Costs.

Forum

10.01am

Mr John Wark addressed Council raising concerns about the Night Rider Bus.

10.12am

Sgt Anthony Smith (NSW Police) addressed Council regarding the Night Rider Bus.

10.18am

318/1415 RESOLVED that Council suspend standing orders and bring forward Item 22 Night Rider Bus Cost for consideration at this time.

Clancy / Todd
The motion was carried

Item 22 Night Rider Bus Cost

319/1415 RESOLVED that the Night Rider Bus Trial continue until 30 June 2015.

Schmidt / R Sullivan The motion was carried

320/1415 RESOLVED that Mr John Wark and Sgt. Anthony Smith be invited to provide further information regarding this matter.

Clancy / Capel
The motion was carried

321/1415 RESOLVED that Council offer the Bus to the venues at the written down value following completion of the trial.

R Sullivan / Schmidt The motion was carried

10.55am

322/1415 RESOLVED that Council resume standing orders and consideration of the matters as itemised in the agenda.

R Sullivan / Schmidt The motion was carried

Item 1 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting - 16 April 2015

323/1415 RESOLVED that the resolutions contained in the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 16 April 2015 be endorsed.

Todd / Capel The motion was carried

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Item 2 Minutes of Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 23 April 2015 324/1415 RESOLVED

- 1. That Council accepts the Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting held at Coonabarabran on 23 April 2015.
- That request by the Coonabarabran Pony Club to close Reservoir Street, Coonabarabran on Sunday, 12 April 2015 from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm to conduct a Cross Country Event be approved subject to compliance with Council's Road Closure Policy FURTHER that three months notice of intention to close the road is required.
- 3. That a review of the 'Stop' sign, linemarking and site distances be undertaken at the intersection of Campbell Street and Cunningham Street, Coolah.
- 4. That request by the Cooee March 2015 Association to use Council's roads for re-enactment of the 'Snowballing' WW1 Recruiting March (Kookaburra March) from 1-4 November 2015 be approved subject to development of a Traffic Management Plan and concurrence with RMS, NSW Police Major Events Unit and the NSW Transport Management Centre.

Capel / Schmidt
The motion was carried

Item 3 Minutes of Robertson Oval Advisory Committee Meeting held on 6 May 2015

325/1415 RESOLVED

- 1. That Council accepts the Minutes of the Robertson Oval Advisory Committee meeting held at Dunedoo on 6 May 2015.
- 2. That the Club rooms and amenities building project, as approved by Council 16th October 2013, is progressed by developing and list of features and plan options.
- 3. That the colour of the netball court surface is green with white lines.
- 4. That bench seats are installed around the new concrete netball courts subject to budget constraints.

C Sullivan / Coe The motion was carried

Item 4 Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday 22 April 2015 326/1415 RESOLVED

- 1. That Council accepts the Minutes of the Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee meeting held on 22 April 2015.
- 2. That OROC agenda discussion and action with consideration to encouraging loops on and off the Golden Highway.
- 3. That the Manager's Report be accepted.

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4. That the Budget Report be distributed as a Flying Minute with requests from committee members to respond with amendments as required for the 2015-16 budget.

Schmidt / Capel
The motion was carried

Item 5 Minutes of the Finance and Projects Committee Meeting – 4 May 2015 327/1415 RESOLVED that Council accepts the Minutes of the Finance and Projects Committee Meeting held on 4 May 2015 at Coolah.

Schmidt / Andrews
The motion was carried

Item 6 Minutes of Warrumbungle Cobbora Transition Fund Committee Meeting - 5 May 2015

328/1415 RESOLVED that Council accept the minutes from the Warrumbungle Cobbora Transition Fund Committee Meeting held on 5 May 2015.

C Sullivan / Coe The motion was carried

Item 8 was moved forward for consideration.

Item 8 Warrumbungle Cobbora Transition Fund Committee
329/1415 RESOLVED that Council accepts the following committee recommendations:

- RNSW 295 Bolaro Street Type 5 fencing design with black colour recommended for the fence style of the kerb blister design to be installed at the intersection of Merrygoen and Bolaro Streets;
- RNSW 333 MPC The old bank building (MPC) external wall paint highlights to be off-white to comply with heritage listing of the building;
- RNSW 290 TRRRC Dwelling design to be a minimum of two bedrooms, and/or two bedrooms + nook/den. No single bedroom or three bedroom dwellings to be designed;
- To have four x 2.5 bedroom duplexes, and one three x 2 bedroom or two x 2 bedroom duplexes (for the lower socio-economic/affordable housing market).
 Note that potential for design of three bedroom dwellings is to be considered for second stage development.

And **FURTHERMORE** that Council note the progress of the Cobbora Transition Fund projects.

C Sullivan / Coe The motion was carried

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Item 7 Notice of Motion – Minimum Width for Bridges and Causeways in the Warrumbungle Shire

330/1415 A motion was moved by Councillor Todd seconded by Councillor Andrews that the Minimum width of all new Bridges to be constructed be a minimum of six metres and that all Causeways to be constructed be a minimum of seven metres.

The motion was put and lost.

Item 9 Council Resolutions Report May 2015
Received.

Item 10 Brick Bats and Bouquets Received.

Item 11 Report from Human Resources – May 2015Received.

Item 12 2015 Second Quarter Employee Excellence in Achievement Award & Team Achievement Award

331/1415 RESOLVED that Council approve MANEX's nomination of Sally Morris as the winner of the 2nd Quarterly Staff Achievement Award and the Accounts Payable Team as the winner of the 2nd Quarterly Team Award, to be presented at this meeting.

Coe / Capel The motion was carried

11.20am

332/1415 RESOLVED that standing orders be suspended to break for morning tea.

Capel / C Sullivan
The motion was carried

11.47am 333/1415 RESOLVED that standing orders be resumed.

Todd / Capel
The motion was carried

Item 13 Financial Assistance Grants 334/1415 RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Acknowledge the importance of Federal funding through the Financial Assistance Grants program for the continued delivery of Council Services and infrastructure;
- 2. Acknowledge that Warrumbungle Shire Council will receive \$6.270 million in 2014-15; and
- 3. Ensure that this Federal funding, and other funding provided by the Federal Government under relevant grant programs, is appropriately identified as Commonwealth grant funding in Council publications, including annual reports.

Schmidt / Capel
The motion was carried

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Item 14 Westpac Instore

335/1415 RESOLVED that Council write to Westpac Banking Corporation to express Council's objection and disappointment at the Bank's actions and their announcement of the closure of all Instores and in particular the Dunedoo, Coolah and Coonabarabran Westpac Instores, and requests that Westpac reconsiders its actions.

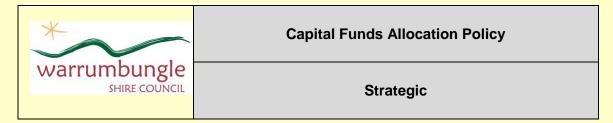
Capel / Todd
The motion was carried

Item 15 Operational Plan and Delivery Program 2015/2016 to 2018/2019 336/1415 RESOLVED that consideration of this matter be deferred until consideration of confidential items.

Coe / Capel
The motion was carried

Item 16 Capital Funds Allocation Policy

337/1415 RESOLVED that Council endorses the following Capital Funds Allocation Policy to be included in the Strategic Policy Register.



1. Purpose

The purpose of the policy is to ensure that Council's limited funds available for capital expenditure are utilised as effectively as possible and are allocated in accordance with the principles of best practice asset management.

2. Objectives of the Policy

This policy aims to ensure Council's long term financial sustainability and improve asset management practices by imposing best practice asset management guidelines on Council's capital expenditure decisions.

3. Policy Scope

This policy applies to all capital projects greater than \$200k carried out by Council.

4. Background

Council maintains an extensive network of assets including:

- 2,600 km of local and regional roads;
- Over 100 bridges and bridge size culverts;
- Water infrastructure across 6 towns and 3 villages;
- Sewer infrastructure in four towns;
- An extensive network of culverts and other drainage assets;
- Kerbs and gutters, and footpaths;
- Over 350 Buildings and 270 other structures including 6 swimming pools; and

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3 aerodromes.

Council generally puts forward a capital program of approximately \$10m per annum to renew and expand these assets, and in recent years has spent significant amounts of funding (including subsidized loan funding) to replace the remaining timber bridges within the shire. Due to funding reductions in recent years Council must now work harder to ensure that limited monies available for capital expenditure are allocated to the capital projects that will most reduce Council's long term renewal and maintenance costs.

Best practice asset management requires that Council focuses expenditure on maintaining/renewing the assets it currently has to meet current service levels before it spends monies on new assets that will increase Council's long term asset maintenance requirements. The best way to achieve this objective is to impose a clear rule that excludes wish-list discretionary items from the capital program unless they are grant funded, or reduce Council's long term costs, or they are deliverables as part of a Special Rates Variation (SRV) application.

5. Definitions

- Capital Expansion Capital works that involve the construction of a new asset;
- Capital Grant A grant provided from another entity that is tied to the
 construction of a particular capital item. For the purpose of this policy Capital
 Grants do not include FAGs grants or R2R monies;
- Approved Community Funded This refers to monies provided to Council
 for partially community funded projects. These projects must have first been
 approved by Council before they are approved.

6. Policy Statement

Capital expansion projects in General Fund that are over \$200k will not be included in Council's capital program unless at least one of the following criteria is met:

- The project is a 50% or greater capital grant (or approved community) funded project; or
- The project will reduce Council's long term costs and there is a detailed cost benefit analysis showing why the capital works would reduce Council's cost base; or
- The projects are detailed as a specific deliverable as part of a Special Rates Variation application.

7. Responsibilities

The Chief Financial Officer and Director Corporate and Community Services will be responsible for the implementation of this policy.

8. Associated Documents

Council's Asset Management Plan

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9. Getting Help

Chief Financial Officer

Director Corporate and Community Services

10. Version Control

Review Date: 30 April 2017

Staff Member Responsible for Review: Chief Financial Officer

Policy Name Action Resolution Date
No.
Capital Program Policy - - -

Schmidt / R Sullivan The motion was carried

12.33pm

Cr Capel left the room.

Item 17 Stocktake May 2015

338/1415 RESOLVED that Council note the result of the May 2015 Stores Stocktake and approve a stock Write On of \$1,378.51.

Schmidt / Coe

The motion was carried

12.35pm

Cr Capel returned to the meeting.

Item 18 Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the Quarter Ending 31 March 2015

339/1415 RESOLVED that Council accept the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the quarter ending 31 March 2015, and approve the requested supplementary votes for a total value of \$156k and that Council revote an amount of \$6.703 million into the following financial year.

Schmidt / R Sullivan
The motion was carried

Item 19 Bank Reconciliation for the month ending 30 April 2015 340/1415 RESOLVED that Council accept the Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ending 30 April 2015.

Coe / Capel The motion was carried

Item 20 Investments and Term Deposits for Month ending 30 April 2015 341/1415 RESOLVED that Council accept the Investments Report for the month ending 30 April 2015.

Capel / Schmidt The motion was carried

Item 21 Rates Report for Month Ending 30 April 2015Received.

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Item 22 Night Rider Bus Cost

This matter was considered earlier in the meeting.

Item 23 Application to close Council road and Crown Roads near Coolah Aerodrome

342/1415 RESOLVED that Council not agree to closing any part of Coolah Aerodrome Road that links Neilrex Road with Black Stump Way via Queensborough Road and furthermore that Council object to closing Crown Roads that are outlined in the application by the owner of the property 'Bolton'.

R Sullivan / Todd
The motion was carried

Item 24 Consultants Draft Report on the North West Freight Network 343/1415 RESOLVED that the economic analysis presented in the North West Freight Network report and the proposal by the working group to present the findings to Infrastructure Australia is endorsed by Council.

R Sullivan / Schmidt The motion was carried

Item 25 Deed Agreement with Restart NSW for Water Security Projects 344/1415 RESOLVED that Council approves the General Manager and Mayor to affix Council's seal and execute the funding deed of agreement with the NSW Treasurer for the Water Security projects RNSW 726, RNSW 727, RNSW 728 and RNSW 729, which has a total project cost of \$1,937,660. FURTHERMORE, Council contributes \$317,420 towards the cost of the projects.

Clancy / C Sullivan
The motion was carried

Item 26 2014/15 Technical Services Works Program – Road Operations, Urban Services & Water Services
Received.

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1.01pm

345/1415 RESOLVED that standing orders be suspended to break for lunch.

Todd / Capel

The motion was carried

1.30pm

Presentation - Launch of the new Visitor Guide Brochure by Mayor

1.46pm

346/1415 RESOLVED that standing orders be resumed.

C Sullivan / Capel The motion was carried

Item 27 Commercial Lease, 2 Digilah Street, Dunedoo

347/1415 RESOLVED that Council approves the General Manager and Mayor to affix Council's seal, sign and execute the lease agreement for the property at 2 Digilah Street, Dunedoo for a five (5) year period.

C Sullivan / Capel The motion was carried

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Item 28 Commercial Lease, Coonabarabran Airport Hanger

348/1415 RESOLVED that Council approves the General Manager and Mayor to affix Council's seal, sign and execute the lease agreement for the property that the hanger is sited on at Coonabarabran Airport.

R Sullivan / Todd The motion was carried

Item 29 Stocktake Visitor Information Centre Stocks October 2014-April 2015 349/1415 RESOLVED that Council notes the results of the October 2014 to April 2015 Stocktake at the Coonabarabran Visitor Information Centre and approves a nett stock write-off of \$97.71.

Capel / Todd The motion was carried

Item 30 Development Applications

350/1415 RESOLVED that Council notes the Applications and Certificates Approved, during April 2015, under Delegated Authority.

R Sullivan / Coe
The motion was carried

1.49pm

351/1415 RESOLVED that:

- (a) Council go into closed committee to consider business relating to personnel and commercial information
- (b) pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provisions of Section 10A(2)(a) and (c) as outlined above
- (c) correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Schmidt / Capel
The motion was carried

2.00pm

Minute Taker, Leigh Ernest and staff members Sally Morris and Erin Player left the room.

4.50pm

352/1415 RESOLVED that Council move out of closed Committee.

R Sullivan / Schmidt The motion was carried

The following resolutions of Council while the meeting was closed to the public were reported to the meeting by the General Manager.

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Item 1C Tender for Replacement of Kenebri Bridge

353/1415 RESOLVED that the contract for the design and construction of Kenebri Bridge is awarded to Murray Constructions Pty Ltd for a price of \$529,925 (incl GST) and to authorise the General Manager and Mayor to affix the Council Seal to the contract.

Todd / Capel
The motion was carried

Item 2C Fit for the Future Improvement Action Plans

354/1415 RESOLVED it is recommended that Council adopt all the recommendations of Council's fit for the future Improvement Action Plan (listed separately below) and that Council put the Improvement Action Plan on public exhibition for a period of 21 days.

IAP 1 - Staffing Level Review

 It is recommended that Council adopt the revised organisational Structure and FURTHERMORE that Council further reduce through attrition indoor staff positions in Corporate Services by three (3) for a total annual cost saving of \$691k per annum over 5 years.

IAP 2 - Review of Contractors, Plant Utilisation and Plant Hire

- It is recommended that Council:
 - Sell one grader in the 2015/16 financial year to reduce the total number of graders down to seven (7) resulting in a \$400k reduction in capital expenditure, and recurrent savings of approximately \$100k per annum;
 - Purchase an additional water cart with trailer in 2015/16, to be based in Dunedoo and that Council monitor the success of the purchase via a benefit cost analysis after 12months. FURTHERMORE that going forward, combination water cart and trailer are investigated as a replacement option for current water carts.
 - Purchase an additional roller in the 2016/17 financial year for annual recurrent cost savings of \$21k per annum subject to the investigation of the most appropriate type of roller;
 - Convene a formalized meeting with all plant contractors during the public consultation period once the forecast adjustments to Council's plant levels have been finalized to inform them of the expected reduction in contractor utilization in future years.
 - Utilize a dry hire arrangement in the 2015/16 financial year for any works that require the use of a soil stabilizer as a test run to determine whether or not to purchase a soil stabilizer in the future;
 - Investigate the utilization of a dry hire arrangement in the 2015/16 financial year for a crusher to test whether or not Council should purchase a crusher for use in Council's quarry and pits;
 - Present to the Plant Committee details of the full cost analysis from the test case on the 7 year old Urban Service truck in Baradine in order to inform future decisions on whether to extend trade in times for plant items:

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 And FURTHERMORE, that the recommendations above be put to plant committee for final approval.

IAP 3 - Business Arms of Council Review

It is recommended that Council adopt new on-cost and internal charges that
ensure full cost recovery by General Fund from the water, sewer, waste and
quarry businesses for a saving to General Fund of approximately \$190k per
annum, and FURTHERMORE that Council adopt pricing levels for these
businesses to ensure that they are sustainable in the long run and do not
require support from General Fund.

IAP 4 – Service Levels

• It is recommended that Council finalise its current service levels, determine what level of service can be provided within the current budget and then consult with the community on what level of service they are willing to pay for.

IAP 5 – State Roads Maintenance Contracts

 It is recommended that Council continue to engage the State government to increase its involvement in maintaining the Newell and Oxley highways by expanding the length of these highways that we maintain under our RMCC contract, and FURTHERMORE that Council include the full responsibility for maintenance of the State Road network in the Shire as one of our FFF action plans in Council's FFF Template 2 submission.

IAP 6 - Financial Assistance Grants Fairer Distribution to Rural Councils

- It is recommended that Council:
 - Continue to engage with State and Federal Members to implement RESOLUTION 8 of the Review Panel Report, resulting in forecast increased FAGs grant revenue of up to \$2m per annum;
 - Include the implementation of RESOLUTION 8 of the Review Panel report and its impact on Council's financial sustainability as an action plan in Council's FFF Template 2 submission;

IAP 7 - Capital Program Review

- It is recommended that Council adopt a Capital Funds Allocation policy that states: Capital expansion projects in General Fund that are over \$200k will not be included in Council's capital program unless at least one of the following criteria is met:
 - The project is a 50% or greater capital grant funded project; or
 - The project will reduce Council's long term costs and there is a detailed cost benefit analysis showing why the capital works would reduce Council's cost base; or
 - The projects are detailed as a specific deliverable as part of a Special Rates Variation application.

FURTHERMORE that Council includes this review of its capital program as an improvement plan in its FFF Template 2 submission.

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IAP 8 - Resource Sharing

 It is recommended that Council further seek out opportunities to resource share particularly the provision of fee for service by WSC to other councils.
 FUTHERMORE that Council include its success in resource sharing and future resource sharing plans as an improvement plan in its FFF Template 2 submission, and increase forecast revenue by \$50k for expected increased own source revenue from the provision of fee for service works to other councils.

IAP 9 – Depreciation Assumptions and Asset Management

 It is recommended that Council includes the review of its depreciation assumptions forecasting a \$1m reduction in depreciation expense and advances in Council's asset management processes such as the AMIP project in its FFF Template 2 submission.

IAP 10 - Private Works

 It is recommended that Council increase its level of private works through better advertising and pursuit of private works resulting in expected increased revenue of \$50k per annum, and FURTHERMORE that Council include the further pursuit of private works as an improvement plan in its FFF Template 2 submission.

IAP 11 – Warrumbungle Quarry

It is recommended that Council includes the quarry expansion in its FFF
Template 2 submission, and adjust future year budgets to include the forecast
\$83k per annum increase in revenue

IAP 12 – Pricing Review of Non-Cost Recovery Services

• It is recommended that Council continues to subsidise non-cost recovery services such as swimming pools, aerodromes and access to public halls/ovals, but at the same time increases the fees associated with these services at a rate that is slightly higher than inflation.

IAP 13 – Grant Funded Programs

- It is recommended that Council apply an internal charge of \$57k per annum commencing from the 2015/16 financial year back to the services in order to cover the extra costs on general fund positions from Council running these services. If any service is found to be non-viable over the following years Council will then need to either:
 - Negotiate for further funding from the relevant funding bodies; or
 - Increase fees to make the service viable (if possible); or
 - Agree to provide a further subsidy from Council; or
 - Discontinue the service entirely.

FURTHERMORE, the implementation of this review should be included in Council's FFF Template 2 submission.

IAP 14 – Asset Divestment

• It is recommended that Council continue to monitor expenditure on public halls, medical centres, public amenities and operational land, but that it does

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not move to divest itself of these assets at this point in time due to the lack of a potential market for these assets, lack of community consultation on any changes to ownership and the importance of these assets to the community.

IAP 15 - Library Services Review

It is recommended that Council continue its membership of MRL until the end
of the contract, and complete a detailed analysis of its provision of library
services in the 2017/18 financial year before deciding whether or not to
renegotiate an extension of its contract with MRL; and FURTHERMORE that
Council review other locations for the library before the end of the current
lease on 30 November 2016.

IAP 16 – Visitors Information Centre

 It is recommended that Council actively investigate and pursue opportunities for joint development of the Coonabarabran VIC site in order to boost own source revenue.

IAP 17 – Noxious Weeds

• It is recommended that Council continues its membership of CMCC for the provision of noxious weeds control.

IAP 18 - Road Safety Officer

 It is recommended that Council continues to partially fund the Road Safety Officer position.

IAP 19 - Solar Power Utilisation Review

 It is recommended that Council continue its review of the applicability of solar power to Council's operations and include its plans and work to date to increase the utilisation of solar energy across the shire in its FFF Template 2 proposal.

IAP 20 - Office Location Review

 It is recommended that in recognition of the importance of having representation in both the north and the south of the Shire that Council continue to operate out of two offices: one in Coonabarabran and one in Coolah.

IAP 21 – Stormwater Levy

 It is recommended that Council does not implement a flat \$25 per assessment Stormwater levy for all residential and business assessments across the Shire.

IAP 22 - Better Utilization of Grant Funding

- It is recommended that Council:
 - Continue with its current model of grant funding being sourced by individual Managers;
 - Set up an internal grants working group to oversee the management of the grants process within Council;

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 Investigate the possibility of sharing a dedicated grants officer with a neighbouring Council.

IAP 23 - Pushback on Cost Shifting

• It is recommended that Council details the costs of cost shifting (per the cost shifting survey) in its Fit for the Future Template 2 submission.

IAP 24 - Other Business Arms of Council

• It is recommended that Council further investigates other business opportunities as part of its Economic Development function.

Clancy / Capel
The motion was carried

Item 3C Organisational Structure Review

355/1415 RESOLVED it is recommended that Council adopt the revised organisational Structure and **FURTHERMORE** that Council further reduce through attrition indoor staff positions in Corporate Services by three (3) for a total annual cost saving of \$691k per annum over 5 years.

Capel / Andrews
The motion was carried

4.50pm

Sally Morris returned to the meeting to resume minute taking. At this time Councillor Todd had left the meeting.

Cr Capel informed the meeting that Liz Cutts had approached her during the meal break raising concerns about Baradine Memorial Hall and also mentioned that Jennifer Parker had stated that work would start after Anzac Day. Cr Capel advised that work has not started and there has been no communication.

Item 15 Operational Plan and Delivery Program 2015/2016 to 2018/2019 356/1415 RESOLVED that Council accept and place on public exhibition for at least 28 days the Draft Warrumbungle Shire Council Operational Plan 2015/16 and Delivery Program 2015/16 - 2018/19. FURTHER that provision be made in the 2015/16 budget for \$5,000 for design of the Wallaroo Street from Bullinda to Talbragar / Adelyne Streets sealing works and further that \$135,000 be provided in the 2016/17 budget for Dunedoo for sealing of Wallaroo Street from Bullinda to Talbragar / Adelyne Streets

Clancy/Capel
The motion was carried

Matters of Concern Cr R Sullivan Nil

Cr Schmidt

Raised concerns of a resident regarding flushing of pipes at Namoi and Camp Streets – water is now brown and is a continuing issue for the resident and requests the matter be investigated further – cannot drink water coming from town supply. DTS – flushing on almost 2 weekly basis. Will investigate the matter.

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Solar project for council buildings – suggested extend project to sell power to government bodies within town which would provide income. GM informed that scheme is being reviewed

Cr Clancy

Tree roots under road near White Street Need for seat on north cycle way

Requested information as to whether Council has been able to satisfy needs of Expo for ablution block for RDA – advised matter in hand

Discussion regarding appointment to meet with doctors and pursue matters raised by Dr Iannuzzi and convening of Medical Advisory Committee meeting – council to find guidelines.

5.19pm

Cr Capel left the meeting

Cr Coe

Unfinished road works in relation to guard rail on Blackburn's hill DTS advised works will be done – waiting on components

Cr C Sullivan

Nil

Cr Andrews

Nil

Cr Shinton

Nil

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.25 pm.

CHAIRMAN