



Warrumbungle Shire Council

Council meeting
Thursday, 24 June 2010

to be held at the Fire Control Centre, Coonabarabran

commencing at 11.00 am

MAYOR

Councillor Peter Shinton

DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Murray Coe

COUNCILLORS

Councillor Kerry Campbell

Councillor Tilak Dissanayake

Councillor Ray Lewis

Councillor Mark Powell

Councillor Victor Schmidt

Councillor Ron Sullivan

Councillor Denis Todd

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Robert Geraghty (General Manager)

Carolyn Upston (Director Corporate Services)

Kevin Tighe (Director Technical Services)

Tony Meppem (Acting Director Environmental Services)

Rebecca Ryan (Director Community Services)

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Date: 17 June 2010

Cr Peter Shinton
Mayor
Warrumbungle Shire Council
John Street
COONABARABRAN 2357

Cr Shinton

AGENDA

I submit the following report for Council's consideration at its meeting to be held on Thursday, 24 June 2010. I further attach relevant reports from the Directors to me for the consideration of Council.

Declaration of Pecuniary interest and conflicts of Interest

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES of the ordinary meeting of Warrumbungle Shire Council held on 20 May 2010

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES of the special meeting of Warrumbungle Shire Council held on 7 June 2010

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS of the Finance and Works Committee meeting held on 20 May 2010

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting held on 27 May 2010

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS of the Warrumbungle Shire Council Occupational Health & Safety Committee meeting held on 18 May 2010

MINUTES of the Consultative Advisory Committee special meeting held on 16 February 2010 **for notation**

MINUTES of the Consultative Advisory Committee special meeting held on 18 May 2010 **for notation**

MINUTES of the Warrumbungle Shire Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting held on 17 March 2010 **for notation**

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS of the Warrumbungle Shire Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting held on 9 June 2010

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R J GERAGHTY
GENERAL MANAGER

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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ANNEXURE 1

1.1 POLICY REVIEWS

Following a review of the Occupational Health & Safety Policy, Hazardous Substances Policy and Personal Safety Equipment & Sun Protection Policy, some minor amendments have been made to these policies including the review dates of each policy. Any amendments are italicised in the copies included for Councillors' information. These amendments were endorsed by the Occupational Health & Safety Committee at its meeting held on 18 May 2010 and those minutes are presented for adoption by Council at the June 2010 meeting.

In relation to the OH&S Policy – this Policy is a new Warrumbungle Shire Council policy whereas the previous policy was based on the Coonabarabran model. This Policy is to be reviewed every two years or as circumstances change.

In relation to the Hazardous Substances Policy, amendments relate to item 8 being the review period for the policy and has been extended to 5 years or if circumstances require review.

In relation to the Personal Safety Equipment and Sun Protection Policy, amendments relate to item 6.4 being the wearing of beanies in winter. This Policy is also to be reviewed every two years or as circumstances change.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council's endorsement.

1.2 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

Under Section 239 and 241 of the Local Government Act the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal is charged with determining categories of Councils and a range of remuneration for each level. The minimum levels of remuneration for Councillors and Mayors must be paid by the relevant Council. Above that minimum there is a discretion to endorse a fee up to the maximum.

The last report on the outcomes of the Tribunal were reported to Council in December 2008 and thus dealt with the fees payable to Councillors and the Mayor for the 2008/2009 year. These fees were \$9,060 for Councillors and the additional Mayoral fee of \$19,790. Council also has a policy that the Deputy Mayor receives \$500 of the Mayoral Allowance.

The level of payment has been retained in 2009/2010 year although there has been a Remuneration Tribunal deliberation issued in April 2009.

I will deal with the April 2009 report and then the April 2010 report.

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Remuneration Tribunal Determination April 2009

Warrumbungle Shire Council was classed as a category 4 Council. The increase for the 2009/10 year was determined as being 2.5%, this resulted in the range of fees available being:

Councillors Annual Fee	\$7,040 to \$ 9,290
Additional Mayoral Fee	\$7,480 to \$20,280

An allowance was made in the 2009/2010 budget for the maximum fees to be paid.

Remuneration Tribunal Determination April 2010

The Tribunal reviewed the classification categories for all Councils and changed the designation from a numbered category to a named category. For example, "category 4" is now "Rural". Warrumbungle Shire is one of 77 Council's designated as "Rural".

The increase for the year 2010/2011 was determined as being 3% - this resulted in the range of fees available being:

Councillors Annual Fees	\$7,250 to \$ 9,570
Additional Mayoral Fees	\$7,700 to \$20,890

The draft budget currently on exhibition provided for the maximum fee being adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Warrumbungle Shire Council adopt the following fees for Councillors and Mayor:

- i) The fees for 2009/2010 be as follows – Councillors fees \$9,290 and Mayoral Allowance \$20,280, **FURTHER** that the short payment on these fees for the year be paid with the June fees.
- ii) The fees for 2010/2011 be as follows – Councillors fees \$9,570 and Mayoral Allowance \$20,890, **FURTHER** that the fees are to apply from 1st July 2010.

1.3 SOUTHERN WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES

Council at its ordinary February meeting 2010 determined that a report be prepared on the separation of the three water supply schemes and the two sewerage schemes in the Southern end of the Shire. The resolution states:

295 RESOLVED that a report be prepared and submitted to Council on the internal separation of the Dunedoo, Mendooran and Coolah Water funds and Dunedoo and Coolah Sewerage fund. **FURTHER** that the sewerage bank accounts balance be split 50-50 between both Coolah and Dunedoo Sewerage Schemes.

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In preparing this report I have conferred with the Division of Local Government and Council's Auditors.

The sections of the Local Government Act which covers the issues of Water and Sewerage funds are:

408 The Council's funds

A council must have 2 separate funds:

- A Consolidated fund
- A Trust fund

409 The Consolidated fund

(1) All money and property received by a council must be held in the council's consolidated fund unless it is required to be held in the council's trust fund.

(2) Money and property held in the council's consolidated fund may be applied towards any purpose allowed by this or any other Act.

(3) However:

- (a) money that has been received as a result of the levying of a special rate or charge may not be used otherwise than for the purpose for which the rate or charge was levied, and
- (b) money that is subject to the provisions of this or any other Act (being provisions that state that the money may be used only for a specific purpose) may be used only for that purpose, and
- (c) money that has been received from the Government or from a public authority by way of a specific purpose advance or grant may not except with the consent of the Government or public authority, be used otherwise than for that specific purpose.
- (d) (repealed)

(4) Pending its expenditure for the purpose of which it is held, money of the kind referred to in subsection (3) (a), (b) or (c) may not be held otherwise than in an account with a bank, building society or credit union or in an investment in which such money is by or under this or any other Act, authorized to be invested.

The consolidated fund encompasses General Fund and the Water and Sewerage Funds.

Both the Division of Local Government and Auditor believes there is no reason to stop Council segregating the water schemes. However very clear principles will need to be put into place when distributing the assets between the newly created funds.

The issues of distribution can be categorized as:

- a) Physical assets – The treatment plants, mains and pumping stations all can readily be identified. This would essentially require Council's current assets registers to identify these class of assets.

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- b) Non tangible assets – would relate particularly to cash and investments along with any loans. In this distribution Council will need to show both transparency and equity in any distribution.

There is only one town loan that needs to be accounted for and this is for the Mendooran Water Supply.

Distribution of the Water Supply bank accounts will be a matter that needs further investigation. This need arises from the uncertainties that may still arise from the conclusion of the Mendooran Water Supply project. While the scheme has been constructed, the payments and receipts will not be finalized in full until the latter part of 2010.

The balance at the end may mean that a deficit situation will exist in the newly created Coolah, Dunedoo and Mendooran Water Supplies.

Distribution of the bank accounts for the sewerage scheme may be a little easier as there are adequate funds available. However, council will need to determine how it will meet the test of equity between the two towns.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council determine to split the Southern Water Supply Schemes into a Coolah Water Scheme, Dunedoo Water Scheme and Mendooran Water Scheme. However, that this not be done until 1st July 2011. In the mean time Council's Auditors be engaged to provide an outside opinion on the equity of the distribution of assets both cash and non cash.

FURTHER, that the Southern Sewerage Supply Scheme to be split into the Coolah Sewerage and Dunedoo Sewerage Scheme commencing 1st July 2010. Also that Council's Auditors' assistance be sought to review the basis of distribution of non cash assets as well as commenting on the 50-50 split of cash assets.

1.4 SENIOR STAFF – ANNUAL REPORTING

The Local Government Act 1993 No. 30 Section 339 states that, *The General Manager must, at least once annually, report to the Council on the contractual conditions of Senior Staff.*

The Warrumbungle Shire Council currently has one Senior Staff position, and that is the position of General Manager.

The General Manager is on the standard employment contract for Local Government with the Annual Total Remuneration Package being \$176,630.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council's information.

1.5 DONATION – SPONSORSHIP DUNEDOO SHOW

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Council has received a letter from the Dunedoo PAH&I Association requesting support from Council as follows:

This letter is to seek the Shire's support for the Dunedoo Show which is held annually.

This Show has been a part of the area since 1913 and attracts around 7,000 participants and visitors each year. The only year the Show hasn't run since that time was during the Second World War 1942-1944.

The Show organisers have not previously approached the Shire for Sponsorship support but as the Show continues to grow in popularity major sponsorship is now required. As the visitors come from both all over our area and beyond perhaps the Shire can mutually benefit from its promotion.

I would be grateful for your consideration of this request and if you have any inquiries please contact our Show President, Mr William Gaden.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council's consideration and if a donation is agreed to, determine where the funds will come from.

1.6 DONATION – MENDOORAN CENTRAL SCHOOL

Council has received the following letter from the Mendooran Central School seeking support for a Family Trivia Night:

We are seeking support for a Family Trivia Night to be held 13th August 2010. This is a fun evening designed to bring together the families in our community. The evening is being organised by the students in Year 9 and SRC (Student Representative Council) and community members. These students have undertaken to raise funds for a variety of activities including the major excursion involving students from Kindergarten to Year 12.

There are few businesses in Mendooran and we realise the constant pressure to support all events is enormous. However, we would ask that you consider donating a prize for the evening or an article that could be auctioned. A suggestion given was perhaps a season ticket to the pool. We would appreciate your support for the evening where we hope to bring together families in our community.

Our sponsors will be well advertised in our weekly school newsletter and on the evening. Any donation of goods would be appreciated.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council's consideration and if approved, where the funds will come from.

1.7 INTERST CHARGES FOR 2010/2011

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Each year Council is required to determine the level of interest it will charge on overdue rates and charges. In the past Council has determined under Section 566(3) that it would take the maximum allowed.

The maximum set by the Division of Local Government is 9%. This is the same as for 2009/10.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Warrumbungle Shire Council under Section 566(3) of the Local Government Act 1993 set a 9% rate of interest on all overdue Rates and Charge for the year 2010/11.

1.8 STAFF TELEPHONE REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

Council's staff policy relating to reimbursement of telephone rental charges and actual call costs is as follows:

Staff 4.35

Staff Telephone Reimbursement Policy

That Council meet the cost of rental and actual business calls of all staff whose telephone number is required to be shown as an after hours number.

All other staff will be reimbursed all documented and authorized business calls on behalf of Council.

This policy or similar has existed for several decades and worked reasonably well.

However in recent times the Telco suppliers have provided alternative packages that make it less clear as to what the rental charge is. Often an agreement is that a charge of \$100 per month is entered into covering the rental and all timed calls (both local and STD). An internet enquiry facility is available to view and print all actual calls made. However, the information shows the duration of the call and destination but not the cost.

Three months ago a standard rental charge for one telephone hand piece was \$40 including GST.

The above policy and information relates to land line connections only and are a part of the requirement for contact after hours.

All the staff who are on the contact list also have mobile phones issued to them in accordance with Policy 2.6 Mobile Phone Usage. Therefore the need to utilise the landline for extensive Council use for outgoing calls would now be reduced. To bring some clarity to the application of the existing "Staff Telephone Reimbursement Policy", I would recommend the following policy. This policy provides a flat fee of \$60 be paid to

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each staff member whose personal landline phone is listed in the telephone book as a contact number after hours.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Telephone Reimbursement Policy

That Council regulate the reimbursement of telephone costs for staff whose telephone number is required to be shown as an after hours number in the Telstra White pages.

- Council shall provide an amount of \$60 per calendar month towards the cost of telephone rental.

All other staff will be reimbursed all documented and authorized business calls on behalf of Council from their private phone.

1.9 WASTE MANAGEMENT CHARGES

Council at a special meeting at Coonabarabran on 11th June 2010 determined to accept the tender of Coonabarabran Waste Services for the collection of unsorted kerbside waste in the southern section of the shire and further to look at the charges being made with a view to an equality of charges. The resolution states:

***424 RESOLVED** that a report on the charging regime for Waste Management Charges of the Warrumbungle Shire Council be prepared with a view to having a common charge for waste collection across the Shire.*

Coe/Lewis

This report progresses discussion on that resolution. In preparing this report I acknowledge the Director of Technical Services detailed scrutiny and projections to completing the “comprehensive regime” model work.

Introduction

There are two aspects to an interpretation of the resolution and that is **firstly** that the “common charge” relates the domestic residential charge only. All the other charging categories remain as they are advertised in the Draft Management Plan. Or **secondly** that there is a need to review initially the relationship between each of the categories and then to look at a common charge for each category based on the new relativities.

Over the last five years we have been progressively honing the way we operate the management of delivering waste services and consequently each year getting a better understanding of the actual costs. The figures used in the following report are taken from the projections for 2010/11 which have been derived after a thorough and critical look at actual costs for 2009/10 and in this regard should be accurate expectations for the future.

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The report is split into three section and they are:

1. Background Introduction
2. Common Residential Charge only; and
3. Comprehensive Regime review.

In the two latter sections suggested pricing regimes or options are presented.

Background Introduction

Generally

- **History of Charges**

A question at the 11th June meeting centred on how the “southern end” domestic charges had increased to a variation of \$90.00 over the last five years from an the originally expected \$60.00. The table below shows the charges determined in the Council Management Plans since 2005.

	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
Domestic Residential						
North	220.00	220.00	220.00	227.04	263.80	277.00
South	291.44	291.44	291.44	300.77	349.50	367.00
Non Domestic						
North	195.55	195.55	195.55	201.81	235.55	250.00
South	198.99	198.90	198.99	205.36	238.65	250.00
Domestic Vacant						
North	50.00	50.00	50.00	60.00	69.70	73.50
South	138.55	50.00	50.00	60.00	69.70	73.50
Non Domestic Recycling						
North	192.20	192.20	192.20	198.35	230.50	242.00
South	188.49	188.49	188.49	198.35	230.50	242.00
Rural						
Domestic Used North		220.00	220.00	227.04	263.80	277.00
Domestic Used South		291.44	291.44	300.77	349.50	367.00
Domestic Occupied Not		80.00	80.00	110.00	127.85	210.00
Domestic Rural Vacant		20.00	20.00	60.00	60.00	62.00

Table one

From the above table it can be seen that the initial differential is not solely based on the contract to collect the unsorted waste. The other considerations will be outlined in the body of this report.

Looking at the percentage differentials, in table one above, over the years and shown in the following table the differential has stayed constant at approximately **32.5%**:

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Year	North	South	Differential
2005/06	220.00	291.44	32.473
2006/07	220.00	291.44	32.473
2007/08	220.00	291.44	32.473
2008/09	227.04	300.77	32.474
2009/10	263.80	349.50	32.487
2010/11	277.00	367.00	32.491

Table two

- **Charging Levels Required**

The legal requirement is that waste management must be cost neutral. The charges in 2009/10 increased dramatically and to a lesser extent 2010/11 based on the need for the waste operation to be self sufficient after a general fund contribution of \$60,000. This contribution is in recognition of the use rural ratepayers from across the shire who do not contribute directly because they are neither within a scavenging district nor along a scavenging route. They use the various facilities to dump unsorted rubbish and recycled materials.

It should be noted that the bottom line for Warrumbungle Waste for 2010/11 is \$99,999 significantly above the \$60,000 bottom line expected and does not meet the cost neutrality requirement.

- **Changed Contractor Costs**

As a result of the tenders submitted and accepted the southern collection costs have changed from the amounts below.

		Per Collection
2009/10		3.61
2010/11		2.75
Collection Difference		0.86
Annual Difference		44.72

Table three

Therefore the draft advertised amount of \$367.00 could be reduced to \$322.28 and retain the same bottom line outcome. In preparing this report, in this section, I have disregarded this change because it would reduce the income received and reduce the expenses by the same amount.

Matters of Consideration

It is evident from table one above that there were other issues affecting the differential between north and south other than the contractors costs when first set. These effects can be segregated into the following.

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- **Garbage Tips**

There are seven tips operating across the shire and set out below is the list along with operational regimes on how they are managed.

Baradine	Gate closed each evening and open each morning by staff, not manned and no fees charged. Recycling areas provided and material delivered to central recycling centre. Green waste segregated. Large bins provided for unsorted waste and delivered as needed to main tip at Coona for disposal.
Binnaway	Gate closed each evening and open each morning by staff, not manned and no fees charged. Recycling areas provided and material delivered to central recycling centre. Green waste segregated. Large bins provided for unsorted waste and delivered as needed to main tip at Coona for disposal.
Ulamambri	Gate closed each evening and open each morning by Hall Committee members, not manned and no fees charged. Recycling areas provided and material delivered to central recycling centre. Green waste segregated. Large bins provided for unsorted waste and delivered as needed to main tip at Coona for disposal.
Coonabarabran	Gate opened during work hours only, tip manned whenever open, fees charged as set out by Council and no contribution received from other tips for managing unsorted waste brought by the contractor from daily pick ups and from big bin pick ups.
Coolah	Gate not closed at night, not manned and no fees charges. Recycling areas provided and material delivered to central recycling centre. Green waste segregated. Large bins provided for unsorted waste and delivered as needed to main tip at Coona for disposal.
Dunedoo	Gate not closed at night, not manned and no fees charges. Recycling areas provided and material delivered to central recycling centre. Green waste segregated. Large bins provided for unsorted waste and delivered as needed to main tip at Coona for disposal.
Mendooran	Gate not closed at night, not manned and no fees charges. Recycling areas provided and material delivered to central recycling centre. Green waste segregated. Large bins provided for unsorted waste and delivered as needed to main tip at Coona for disposal.

Table four

Point of difference

It should be noted that the Coonabarabran tip also generates income through the gate where no other tip does.

The costs of operating the various tips are set out in table five below. The Coonabarabran Tip operating costs include the cost of managing the waste brought in from the other six tips. From the table below you will see the cost of managing all garbage tips is an extraordinary \$469,728.

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Baradine		59,000
Ordinary Ops	35,000	
Big Bin Pick Up	24,000	
Binnaway		56,600
Ordinary Ops	35,000	
Big Bin Pick Up	21,600	
Ulamambri		17,600
Ordinary Ops	3,000	
Big Bin Pick Up	14,600	
Coonabarabran		108,028
Ordinary Ops	132,000	
Big Bin Pick Up	0	
Gate Income	-23,972	
Coolah		90,000
Ordinary Ops	29,000	
Big Bin Pick Up	61,000	
Dunedoo		88,500
Ordinary Ops	35,000	
Big Bin Pick Up	53,500	
Mendooran		50,000
Ordinary Ops	24,000	
Big Bin Pick Up	26,000	
Total Garbage Tip Costs		469,728

Table five

At the time of the amalgamation the previous Coonabarabran Shire had been operating a central waste collection and recycling regime for nearly a decade. The previous Coolah Shire has looked at the possibility of a centralised facility but confronted major opposition to any site selected. The projected cost of that centralised facility was in the order of \$1m to \$3m and would have placed a major burden of the Shire and users. The amalgamation and the existence of a facility at Coonabarabran removed the need for a second site.

Point of difference

A contribution to the establishment of a southern facility was recognised is determining a annual charge.

An issue at the less controlled tips is the problem of orphan waste. Orphan waste is bulk materials and also often difficult to process material which are indiscriminately dumped at these sites. Often this appears to be brought by individuals and businesses from outside the shire. It has also been noted that locals with large amounts of building materials, particularly, seek out the unmanned tips rather than pay a fee and meet the disposal requirements of a controlled tip. Asbestos dumping is a potential major threat – there have been many Councils that have discovered large quantities of asbestos dumped at their unmanned tip. Those councils then have to spend tens of thousands of dollars of ratepayer's funds in fixing up the problem. These matters are being exacerbated by the fact that all adjoining Councils now only open their tips when they are manned. We are getting everybody else's bulk rubbish and having to meet the cost of disposal.

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Point of difference

The issue of unmanned tips is an urgent matter that needs to be confronted. Also the differing operations of the Coonabarabran tip and others along with the resultant costs of operation need to be reviewed.

- **Recycling**

The recycling operation is carried out by Council owned plant and Council staff. There is one central recycling centre located at Coonabarabran and all the materials collected are delivered there. The sorted material is packaged and sold generating income to off set the ongoing operational costs.

In the latter part of 2010 a second recycling centre is to be constructed at Dunedoo. An estimate of the operational cost for half the year has been included in the budget. For the purposes for later comparisons the budget figures for these have been combined. It will be several years before we can expect to know with accuracy the expected figures of operating both centres in combination. I would expect, unless we increase the income from material sold, the cost of operating two centres will be higher than operating one.

The collection costs of recycling in each of the towns are outlined in table six below:

Baradine	20,539
Binnaway	15,500
Coonabarabran	102,000
Coolah	61,000
Dunedoo	58,629
Mendooran	23,100
Total	280,768

Table six

The direct costs of recycling for the rural routes including all the villages are not separated in the budget figures for this area and are not included in the above table. But they included in the following unsorted waste collection figures.

- **Unsorted Waste Collection**

The collection operation is carried out by a contractor for the southern part of the shire and the northern part of the shire is serviced by Council owned plant and Council staff. The costs associated with this area relate specifically to the kerbside collection of waste. This is the only area that the Council and contractors costs are associated. The following table (table seven) lists these charges and for the rural routes and villages it includes the cost of recycling collections as well.

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Baradine	20,539
Binnaway	15,500
Coonabarabran	102,000
Coolah	61,000
Dunedoo	58,629
Mendooran	23,100
Bugaldi	4,400
Kenebri	10,500
Ulamambri	3,700
Timor Rd	11,000
Purlewaugh	6,000
Baradine Road	2,500
River Rd	3,844
Bungabah	4,000
Oxley	4,000
Merrygoen	6,249
Neilrex	8,600
Weetaliba	1,000
Leadville	6,100
Cobbora Run	4,200
Deniston Town	3,100
Castlereagh	2,500
Total	362,461

Table seven

Generally the unsorted waste is collected in one of two ways the first is through kerbside collections where the residential and business bins are emptied once a week and the material delivered to the Coonabarabran Tip for disposal. A single service unit is viewed as being attendance at a property once a week. Commercial premises may have more than one service which is delivered by either multiple collections on one day or by collections on multiple days. Either way they are charged on the basis of one bin pick up per week is one service charge.

The second method of collecting unsorted waste is at the six garbage tips (deposit stations) where large bulk bins are made available for locals to bring materials to the tips. These are then collected by a contractor and delivered to the Coonabarabran tip for disposal.

Common Residential Charge Only

The previous section above outlines the general issues of delivering waste management services across the shire. This section looks at the charges made and makes suggestions on options for levying charges for residential properties.

- **Existing Charges**

Schedule one (attached separately) outlines in detail the various categories of charges made for waste management, the charges for each category and the income generated for

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the 2010/11 year. The total levy income is \$1,246,780 and in addition to this there is \$23,972 income expected as through the gate fees at the Coonabarabran tip.

Coonabarabran	480,494
Coolah	170,912
Baradine	113,426
Binnaway	85,791
Dunedoo	166,474
Mendooran	83,540
Bugaldie	4,687
Kenebri	4,449
Leadville	13,334
Neilrex	3,231
Merrygoan	7,414
Bungabah RR	9,417
John Renshaw RR	26,877
River Road RR	6,374
Purlewaugh Rd RR	11,693
Oxley Hwy RR	6,517
Baradine Rd RR	7,661
Ullamabri	10,884
Weetaliba RR	9,472
Deniston Town RR	7,524
Castlereagh RR	10,598
Cobbora RR	6,014
Total Income from Charges	1,246,780

Table eight

- **Attributing costs**

In looking at the real costs of delivering a service within the context of current operations there are three questions that have to be teased out.

1. **Central garbage tip operation** – with all the unsorted waste being directed to the Coonabarabran tip what contribution should the rural routes and other towns and villages make towards the cost of disposal. From the southern end perspective it could be argued that the differential in their existing levy goes towards that burden.
2. **Management costs** - how they should be distributed between the various operating areas (rural routes, towns and villages).
3. **Centralised Recycling Centres** - how should they be distributed between the various operating areas (rural routes, towns and villages).

In the following table costs for these areas have been attributed on the basis of relative actual operating cost excluding direct garbage tip costs in the seven locations where tips operate. This may be a crude formula but it is the only one available when you note that the rural routes costs do not distinguish between recycling and unsorted collection costs. There has been no distribution of costs associated the central unsorted disposal tip – that may create an anomaly for the northern part of the shire except for Coonabarabran and it associated routes (who meet all the costs now) because there is a burden that ideally needs to be recognised.

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Schedule two attached shows a detailing of this distribution as a total overall delivery cost for each town, village and rural route. A summary of the total outcomes are set out in table nine below.

Baradine	12,117.18	deficit
Binnaway	18,891.37	deficit
Coonabarabran	-147,024.38	surplus
Kenebri Village	10,399.97	deficit
Bugaldi Village	1,535.42	deficit
Ulamambri Village	11,949.49	deficit
John Renshaw Parkway Run	-11,320.94	surplus
Purlewaugh Rd Rural Run	-3,207.88	surplus
Baradine Rd Rural Run	-4,125.53	surplus
River Rd Rural Run	-937.86	surplus
Bungabah Rural Run	-3,760.25	surplus
Oxley Highway Rural Run	-860.25	surplus
Coolah	75,811.08	deficit
Dunedoo	75,648.77	deficit
Mendooran & Coolabah Estate	30,570.77	deficit
Neilrex Village	8,931.01	deficit
Merrygoen Village	1,423.26	deficit
Leadville Village	-4,707.46	surplus
Cobbora Rural Run	-74.41	surplus
Weetaliba Rural Run	-8,057.81	surplus
Denison Town Run	-3,140.02	surplus
Castlereagh Rural Run	-7,062.53	surplus
Dunedoo Material Handling Centre	47,000.00	deficit
Management Costs Distributed	47,000.00	
Materials Handling Centre Distributed	195,520.00	
Total Waste Result	99,999.00	

Table nine

- **User Pay**

User pays means many different things to different people. For an individual ratepayer it means “I get charged for something that I directly receive” so “if I do not put my bin out on a particular day I should not get charged for that day”. For Council it means that when we attend a property whether we pick a bin up or not we charge – we have attempted to deliver the service. For an individual community it is the charges raised against the costs incurred in delivering the service to that community. From a shire wide perspective it is how much we raise in total against what we charge individually.

As stated at the beginning of the report this is a complex decision and goes to the heart of a common benefit verses cross subsidisation question. More importantly what the level of cross subsidisation is between individuals, between communities or between areas. To address this question three scenarios are provided and they are set out below. To assist in discussion on these issues schedule three is attached and is referred to in the following scenarios. It should be noted that the reservation relating to the costs of the centralised tips under the heading “attributed costs” above applies to the following scenarios. Also

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the outcomes in the scenarios show relating increases or decreases needed against the 2010/11 levy – in the case of the southern section of the shire this would be on the \$322.28 figure arrived at after discounting the reduced charges for the contractor.

1. Urban Aggregations

It would be far too complicated to establish a levy regime for all the individual rural runs, villages and towns list separately in table nine above. The urban aggregation clusters is based on bringing all the associated runs and villages into an alignment with one or other of the six towns. This also recognises that the start up costs of the rural routes now benefit from their association with a town. That is the costs of the rural services do not have as greater cost burden of getting to a location as that is met by the associated town and they have access to a local tip as well. For a number of the routes they have been associated with two towns as can be seen in schedule 2. The residential assessments are then totalled and divided into the balance to provide an estimated increase or decrease in the levy based on that aggregation. The table below shows that outcome.

	Total Dollars	assessments	Adjusment	
Coonabarabran	-151,402	1359	-111.41	Decrease
Coolah	63,830	392	162.83	Increase
Dunedoo	98,119	379	258.89	Increase
Baradine	19,927	346	57.59	Increase
Binnaway	15,131	234	64.66	Increase
Mendooran	37,394	215	173.93	Increase
		2925		

Table ten

2. Grouped by North and South

The same figures and rationale have been used to arrive at a set of adjustments and bringing the outcomes together on the old shire boundaries.

	Total Dollars	assessments	Adjusment	
North	-116,344	1939	-60.00	Decrease
South	169,343	987	171.57	Increase
		2926		

Table eleven

3. Shire Wide Residential

The same figures and rationale has been used to arrive at a set of adjustments and bringing the outcomes together on the old shire boundaries. However it will be noted that the southern end existing charge of \$367.00 is used in the following table

	Current charge	Varitaion
North	277.00	30.36
South	367.00	-59.64

Table twelve

Comprehensive Regime Review

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This review builds on the foregoing common residential charge review. It initially looks at the relationship between the various category charging regimes. It should also be noted that the outcomes here include bringing the bottom line of Warrumbungle Waste back to \$60,000 not the \$99,999 that is used in the foregoing current management plan.

It takes the various separate activities with the waste management operation and allocates a percentage of time to each activity. These percentages were then applied to the various costs aggregated from each town and village arriving at a total cost for each category. From that the number of assessments currently in the category was divided into the outcome to give a charge per assessment.

The various percentages applied are outlined in table thirteen below.

	Domestic	Non Domestic	Domestic Waste Vacant	Non Domestic Recycle	Domestic Waste rural access - occupied	Domestic Waste rural access - Vacant	Total
Operating Expenditure							
Management	60	20	5	5	5	5	100
Maintenance Transfer Station (G	58	10	5	10	10	7	100
Big Bin Pick Up	49	25	5	0	15	6	100
Residential kerbside collection	100	0	0	0	0	0	100
Non Residential kerbside collectio	0	100	0	0	0	0	100
Recycling kerbside collection - R	90	0	0	0	10	0	100
Recycling kerbside collection - Co	0	80	0	20	0	0	100
Materials Handling Centre Opera	60	20	5	10	5	0	100
Conveyor & Press	60	20	5	10	5	0	100
Education	45	20	0	30	5	0	100
Capital Expenditure							
Fence Survey Coona Landfill	40	40	0	10	10	0	100
Dunedoo Material Handling Shed	20	20	3	35	20	2	100

Table thirteen

From these the following costs were derived and are shown in table fourteen below

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	Domestic	Non Domestic	Domestic Waste Vacant	Non Domestic Recycle	Domestic Waste rural access - occupied	Domestic Waste rural access - Vacant	Total
Operating Expenditure							
Management	28,200	9,400	2,350	2,350	2,350	2,350	47,000
Maintenance Transfer Station	178,048	30,760	15,380	30,760	30,760	21,532	307,240
Big Bin Pick Up	85,132	43,435	8,687	0	26,061	10,424	173,739
Residential kerbside collection	265,865	0	0	0	0	0	265,865
Non Residential kerbside collection	0	51,260	0	0	0	0	51,260
Recycling kerbside collection -	159,965	0	0	0	17,774	0	177,739
Recycling kerbside collection -	0	82,423	0	20,606	0	0	103,029
Materials Handling Centre Op	171,000	57,000	14,250	28,500	14,250	0	285,000
Conveyor & Press	10,800	3,600	900	1,800	900	0	18,000
Education	1,255	558	0	836	139	0	2,788
Capital Expenditure							
Fence Survey Coona Landfill	800	800	0	200	200	0	2,000
Dunedoo Material Handling St	54,200	54,200	6,775	94,850	54,200	6,775	271,000

Table fourteen

From the above relationship of table thirteen and fourteen the follow charging regime is recommended. The table shows a comparison with the projected charges for 2010/11 and I shown on the format of the management plan.

	Proposed charge	2010/11	Variation
Domestic Residential			
North	304.24	277.00	27.24
South	304.24	367.00	-62.76
Non Domestic			
North	290.43	250.00	40.43
South	290.43	250.00	40.43
Domestic Vacant			
North	121.43	73.50	47.93
South	121.43	73.50	47.93
Non Domestic Recycling			
North	230.29	242.00	-11.71
South	230.29	242.00	-11.71
Rural			
Domestic Used North	304.24	277.00	27.24
Domestic Used South	304.24	367.00	-62.76
Domestic Occupied Not Used	242.71	210.00	32.71
Domestic Rural Vacant	63.08	62.00	1.08

Conclusions

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The foregoing report offers some radical revisions of the current approach to cost recoveries for the current waste management operations. Council will need to be mindful of equalities across the shire in charting a future course.

The issues that need to be addressed are

- Standardised operation of tips – that is all tips are closed and only opened when manned in a similar fashion to Coonabarabran. That charges be introduced for access to all tips?
- Determine the opening hours of tips – with the Dunedoo Recycling Centre operating it will not be able to offer full time opening at that site because the staff will be out on collections for much of the day?
- Is a standard regime of fees agreeable as a principle?
- What shire wide contributions need to be made for the disposal of unsorted waste at a central locality?
- What contributions need to be made for the operation the recycling centres?
- Does Council wish to undertake a comprehensive review of its waste service operations?
- Does Council wish to only review the residential charging regime?
- What additional routes may be introduced to give a broader service delivery in the shire?

Many of these questions need public consultation before the changes are made to gain community understanding and agreement.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council retain its charging regime advertised in the draft management plan for 2010/11 and amend the southern Domestic Residential Charge by \$44.72 to reflect the contract variation. Further that a complete and comprehensive review of the delivery of waste management services across the shire be carried out in sufficient time for the changes, if any, to be included in the 2011/12 management plan.

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Warrumbungle Waste Charges 2010/11

	Coonabarabran Units Revenue	Coolah Units Revenue	Baradine Units Revenue	Binnaway Units Revenue	Dunedoo Units Revenue	Mendooran Units Revenue	Bugaldie Units Revenue								
Domestic Residential															
North	277.00	1196	331,292.00	375	137,625.00	310	85,870.00	227	62,879.00	349	128,083.00	183	67,161.00	14	3,878.00
South	367.00														
Non Domestic															
North	250.00	405	101,250.00	81	20,250.00	65	16,250.00	52	13,000.00	91	22,750.00	34	8,500.00		
South	250.00														
Domestic Vacant															
North	73.50	72	5,292.00	51	3,748.50	25	1,837.50	36	2,646.00	35	2,572.50	66	4,851.00	11	808.50
South	73.50														
Non Domestic Recycling															
North	242.00	175	42,350.00	37	8,954.00	38	9,196.00	29	7,018.00	54	13,068.00	12	2,904.00		
South	242.00														
Rural															
Domestic Used North	277.00														
Domestic Used South	367.00														
Domestic Occupied Not Used	210.00	5	310.00	1	210.00	1	210.00	4	248.00			2	124.00		
Domestic Rural Vacant	62.00														
	1853		480,494.00	547	170,911.50	440	113,425.50		85,291.00		166,473.50		83,540.00		4,686.50
Domestic Residential															
North	277.00	15	4,155.00	28	10,276.00	7	2,569.00	19	6,973.00	7	1,939.00	69	19,113.00	14	3,878.00
South	367.00														
Non Domestic															
North	250.00			4	1,000.00										
South	250.00														
Domestic Vacant															
North	73.50	4	294.00	28	2,058.00	9	661.50	6	441.00						
South	73.50														
Non Domestic Recycling															
North	242.00														
South	242.00														
Rural															
Domestic Used North	277.00														
Domestic Used South	367.00														
Domestic Occupied Not Used	210.00														
Domestic Rural Vacant	62.00														
			4,449.00		13,334.00		3,230.50		7,414.00		9,417.00		26,877.00		6,374.00

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	Purlewaugh Rd RR	Oxley Hwy RR	Baradine Rd RR	Ulliamabri	Weetalba RR	Deniston Town RR	Castlereagh RR
	Units	Units	Units	Units	Units	Units	Units
	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue
Domestic Residential							
North	277.00						
South	367.00						
	29	15	7	36	2	4	12
	8,033.00	4,155.00	1,939.00	9,972.00	734.00	1,468.00	4,404.00
Non Domestic							
North	250.00			1			
South	250.00						
				9			
				661.50			
Domestic Vacant							
North	73.50						
South	73.50						
Non Domestic Recycling							
North	242.00						
South	242.00						
Rural							
Domestic Used North	277.00						
Domestic Used South	367.00						
Domestic Occupied Not Used	210.00						
Domestic Rural Vacant	62.00						
	13	8	24	36	19	25	23
	2,730.00	1,680.00	5,040.00	7,560.00	1,178.00	5,250.00	4,830.00
	930.00	682.00	682.00	1,178.00		806.00	1,364.00
	15	11	11				22
	11,693.00	6,517.00	7,661.00	10,883.50	9,472.00	7,524.00	10,598.00
Domestic Residential							
North	277.00						
South	367.00						
	8						
	2,936.00						
Non Domestic							
North	250.00						
South	250.00						
Domestic Vacant							
North	73.50						
South	73.50						
Non Domestic Recycling							
North	242.00						
South	242.00						
Rural							
Domestic Used North	277.00						
Domestic Used South	367.00						
Domestic Occupied Not Used	210.00						
Domestic Rural Vacant	62.00						
	12						
	2,520.00						
	558.00						
	9						
	6,014.00						

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Warrumbungle Waste Overall Costs			
Waste Management - Management	47,000	River Rd Rural Run	-938
Waste Serv-Management - Exp	47,000	Waste Serv-River Rd Run-Inc	-6,374
Coona Material Handling Centre	163,919	Waste Serv-River Rd Run-Exp	3,844
Materials Handling Coona Centre - Inc	-90,296	Waste Serv Management Contrib	309
Materials Handling Coona Centre - Exp	254,215	Material Handling Centre Contrib	1,284
Dunedoo Material Handling Centre	31,601	Bungabah Rural Run	-3,760
Dunedoo Material Handling Centre Income	-19,972	Waste Serv-Bungabah Run-Inc	-9,417
Dunedoo Material Handling Centre expendit	51,573	Waste Serv-Bungabah Run-Exp	4,000
Baradine	12,117	Waste Serv Management Contrib	321
Waste Management-Baradine - Inc	-113,426	Material Handling Centre Contrib	1,336
Waste Services-Baradine - Exp	106,054	Oxley Highway Rural Run	-860
Waste Serv Management Contrib	3,777	Waste Serv-Oxley Highway Run-Inc	-6,517
Material Handling Centre Contrib	15,712	Waste Serv-Oxley Highway Run-Exp	4,000
Binnaway	18,891	Waste Serv Management Contrib	321
Waste Management-Binnaway - Inc	-85,791	Material Handling Centre Contrib	1,336
Waste Services-Binnaway - Exp	90,600	Neilrex Village	8,931
Waste Serv Management Contrib	2,729	Waste Serv-Neilrex Village-Inc	-3,231
Material Handling Centre Contrib	11,353	Waste Serv-Neilrex Village-Exp	8,600
Coonabarabran	-147,024	Waste Serv Management Contrib	690
Waste Management-Coonabarabran - Inc	-504,466	Material Handling Centre Contrib	2,872
Waste Services-Coonabarabran - Exp	290,000	Merrygoan Village	1,423
Waste Serv Management Contrib	2,000	Waste Serv-Neilrex Village-Inc	-7,414
Material Handling Centre Contrib	12,682	Waste Serv-Merrygoan Village-Exp	6,249
Coolah	75,811	Waste Serv Management Contrib	502
Waste Management-Coolah - Inc	-170,912	Material Handling Centre Contrib	2,087
Waste Services-Coolah - Exp	200,822	Leadville Village	-4,707
Waste Serv Management Contrib	8,896	Waste Serv-Leadville Village-Inc	-13,334
Material Handling Centre Contrib	37,006	Waste Serv-Leadville Village-Exp	6,100
Dunedoo	75,649	Waste Serv Management Contrib	490
Waste Management-Dunedoo - Inc	-166,473	Material Handling Centre Contrib	2,037
Waste Services-Dunedoo - Exp	197,129	Cobbora Rural Run	-74
Waste Serv Management Contrib	8,720	Waste Serv-Cobbora Run-Inc	-6,014
Material Handling Centre Contrib	36,273	Waste Serv-Cobbora Run-Exp	4,200
Mendooran & Coolabah Estate	30,571	Waste Serv Management Contrib	337
Waste Management-Mendooran & Coolabah	-83,540	Material Handling Centre Contrib	1,402
Waste Services-Mendooran - Exp	95,334	Weetaliba Rural Run	-8,058
Waste Serv Management Contrib	3,639	Waste Serv-Weetaliba Run-Inc	-9,472
Material Handling Centre Contrib	15,138	Waste Serv-Weetaliba Run-Exp	1,000
Kenebri Village	10,400	Waste Serv Management Contrib	80
Waste Serv-Kenebri Village-Inc	-4,449	Material Handling Centre Contrib	334
Waste Serv-Kenebri Village-Exp	10,500	Denison Town Run	-3,140
Waste Serv Management Contrib	843	Waste Serv-Denison Town Run-Inc	-7,524
Material Handling Centre Contrib	3,506	Waste Serv-Denison Town Run-Exp	3,100
Bugaldi Village	1,535	Waste Serv Management Contrib	249
Waste Serv-Bugaldie Village-Inc	-4,687	Material Handling Centre Contrib	1,035
Waste Serv-Bugaldie Village-Exp	4,400	Castlereagh Rural Run	-7,063
Waste Serv Management Contrib	353	Waste Serv-Castlereagh Run-Inc	-10,598
Material Handling Centre Contrib	1,469	Waste Serv-Castlereagh Run-Exp	2,500
Ulamambri Village	11,949	Waste Serv Management Contrib	201
Waste Serv-Ulamambri Village-Inc	-10,883	Material Handling Centre Contrib	835
Garbage Tips-Ulamambri-Exp	17,600	Still to Sort Out	0
Waste Serv-Ulamambri Village-Exp	3,700	Waste Sale of Bins-Inc	
Waste Serv Management Contrib	297	Dunedoo Recycling Centre RLCIP	47,000
Material Handling Centre Contrib	1,235	Waste Serv-RLCIP-Dunedoo-Inc	-224,000
John Renshaw Parkway Run	-11,321	Waste Serv-Recycling Centre Building-Cap	271,000
Waste Serv-John Renshaw Parkway Run-Inc	-26,877		
Waste Serv-John Renshaw Parkway Run-Exp	11,000		
Waste Serv Management Contrib	883		
Material Handling Centre Contrib	3,673		
Purlewaugh Rd Rural Run	-3,208		
Waste Serv-Purlewaugh Rd Run-Inc	-11,693		
Waste Serv-Purlewaugh Rd Run-Exp	6,000		
Waste Serv Management Contrib	482		
Material Handling Centre Contrib	2,004		
Baradine Rd Rural Run	-4,126		
Waste Serv-Baradine Rd Run-Inc	-7,661		
Waste Serv-Baradine Rd Run-Exp	2,500		
Waste Serv Management Contrib	201		
Material Handling Centre Contrib	835		

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WARRUMBUNGL WASTE SUMMARY		Warrumbungle Waste Scenario Options						Residential Numbers
		Coona	Coolah	Dunedoo	Baradine	Binnaway	Mendooran	
Waste Management - Management	47,000							
Coona Material Handling Centre	163,919							
Dunedoo Material Handling Centre	31,601							
Baradine	12,117				12,117			310
Binnaway	18,891					18,891		227
Coonabarabran	-147,024	-147,024						1196
Kenebri Village	10,400				10,400			15
Bugaldi Village	1,535				1,535			14
Ulamambri Village	11,949	11,949						36
John Renshaw Parkway Run	-11,321	-11,321						69
Purlewaugh Rd Rural Run	-3,208	-3,208						29
Baradine Rd Rural Run	-4,126				-4,126			7
River Rd Rural Run	-938	-938						14
Bungabah Rural Run	-3,760					-3,760		7
Oxley Highway Rural Run	-860	-860						15
Coolah	75,811		75,811					375
Dunedoo	75,649			75,649				349
Mendooran & Coolabah Estate	30,571						30,571	183
Neilrex Village	8,931						8,931	7
Merrygoen Village	1,423						1,423	19
Leadville Village	-4,707		-2354	-2,354				28
Cobbora Rural Run	-74				-74			8
Weetaliba Rural Run	-8,058		-8,058					2
Denison Town Run	-3,140		-1570	-1570				4
Castlereagh Rural Run	-7,063			-3531			-3,531	12
Other Waste South	0							
Dunedoo Material Handling Centre	47,000							
Less								
Management Costs Distributed	47,000							
Materials Handling Centre Distributed	195,520							
Total Waste Result	99,999	-151,402	63,830	68,119	19,927	15,131	37,394	2,926
Residential used Assessments		1359	392	379	346	234	215	
Adjustment by Urban Aggregation		-111.41	162.83	179.73	57.59	64.66	173.92	
Check Total		99,999		986	1939			

Grouped by North & South	North	South
	-116,344	169,343
	1939	987
Increase per Assessment	-60.00	171.57

Grouped as one Residential Group	2010/11	Total Inc	Assessments	Average
		899,333	2926	307.36
Variation			Variation	
South	367.00		-59.64	
North	277.00		30.36	

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1.10 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

The matter of questions without notice has been introduced into Council business papers regularly over the last two years. A report to the Council Meeting in May 2009 as a result of a notice of motion by Cr Powell sets out discussions up to that date. The full text of that report is shown below.

Item 1.7 May 2009 report

The following notice of motion has been received from Councillor Powell.

That Warrumbungle Council reintroduce the practice of questions without notice sessions and that said sessions are carried out as "best practice" in accord with the guide lines as laid down by Mr. Gerry Holmes, Consulting Barrister to the Shires Association of New South Wales.

Councillor Powell offers the following information in support of his notice of motion:

Some Councillors, including myself, have been concerned that Council is not conducting questions without notice sessions as was the practice of the previous Council. These sessions were cancelled as it was believed that they were not "best practice".

Accordingly, I voiced my concerns to Mr. Gerry Holmes, Consulting Barrister to the Shires Association of N.S.W.

He was of the opinion that in having the above sessions, we, as Councillors were not breaching "best practice", provided:

- 1. That no motion be passed in regard to the above question and answer sessions unless a written motion is presented at a subsequent Council meeting.*
- 2. That Directors and the General Manager are entitled to refer the matter of an answer to a later date or meeting.*
- 3. That Councillors refrain from asking intimidatory or aggressive questions to members of staff present.*
- 4. That if [3] above does occur, then the Mayor take action to disallow the question and reprimand the offending Councillor.*

General Manager's Notes

To facilitate this notice of motion an amendment may be needed to the Council's Code of Meeting Practice. It should also be noted that separate to this notice of motion Council's Code of Meeting Practice is due for final endorsement at this May 2009 Meeting. I would refer Councillors to clause 18 of the Code of Meeting Practice and clause 249 of the Regulations in considering this notice of motion.

Further the following General Manager's note was previously submitted to Council's 19th February 2009 meeting in response to a notice of motion from Councillor Todd to reintroduce General Business.

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General Manager's Note to 19th February 2009 Meeting

Over the last week or so there have been concerns expressed by Councillors about the lack of General Business at the end of the Council's Ordinary Meeting. This practice ceased after the training sessions provided by Gerry Holmes immediately after the elections.

*One basis for the removal of General Business is a requirement that **NO** decision should be made by Council without giving public notice of an intent to consider the matter. That requirement is made by the Department of Local Government. Notice can only be given through the published business paper and thus must be on the agenda that is sent out so not only Councillors but also interested members of the community who can reflect on the matter of and be present when a decision is made.*

The issues of questions without notice are fraught with the spectre of point scoring, public humiliation or entrapment of staff. Effectively staff are not given the opportunity to be prepared for a question without notice.

We are currently looking at what other Councils do. At this stage it would seem that larger Councils do not have General Business at all for the same reasons we have been advised. Although in one case the Mayor may agree to a matter of urgency - this Council meets every 2 weeks and they have only had 2 such matters in the last 2 years.

Also in the majority of cases there are no questions without notice - although several Councils have a discussion session at the end of the meeting which covers questions with notice. Notice must be given and is distributed as a confidential addendum to the business paper. No matter is dealt with unless this requirement for notice is given.

Councillors also have the opportunity every quarter to seek clarification and updating on management and operational matters at the quarterly reviews - both in words and figures.

Further Councillors are able to talk to the General Manager or senior staff in line with my email advice to all Councillors on 21st September 2008 - extract below.

"Under the Warrumbungle Shire Organisation Structure there is a staff interaction policy that essentially states that all interaction between Councillors and staff must go through the GM. However Crs are able to speak directly with each Director on operational issues that relate to his or her Division. Otherwise you can speak with me at any time."

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If there is a desire to change the current process then the way this will need to be addressed is through an amendment to the Code of Meeting practice.

The resolution from this Notice of Motion was as follows:

395 A motion was moved by Councillor Powell seconded by Councillor Lewis that Warrumbungle Council reintroduce the practice of questions without notice sessions and that said sessions are carried out as “best practice” in accord with the guide lines as laid down by Mr. Gerry Holmes, Consulting Barrister to the Shires Association of New South Wales.

The motion was put and LOST.

This matter was again brought forward at the December 2009 Council Meeting with the following associated report.

1.8 QUESTIONS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY (GW0001)

Following a Councillor query in regards to the ‘Questions Without Notice’ issue at Council meetings; a review of Councils Code of Meeting Practice and the NSW Local Government Regulations (2005) has been undertaken.

The concern being that there is no official time availed for Councillors to raise issues from previous meetings; resolution reports or even urgent matters whilst the Council meeting is convened. This does not discount the assurance and encouragement by the General Manager that Councillors are able to speak directly to either the General Manager or individual Directors on operational issues that relate to their division.

Under Warrumbungle Shire Council Policies and Procedures Section 5.3; item No 18 Code of Meeting Practice (Adopted by Resolution No 388 May 2009) the following excerpt has been provided for Councillor information.

18 QUESTIONS MAY BE PUT TO COUNCILLORS AND COUNCIL EMPLOYEES (Clause 249 Regulation)

18.1 A Councillor:

- (a) may, through the chairperson, put a question to another Councillor; and*
- (b) may, through the Chairperson and the General Manager, put a question to a council employee.*

18.2 *However, a Councillor or council employee to whom a question is put is entitled to be given reasonable notice of the question and, in particular, sufficient notice to enable reference to be made to other persons or to documents.*

18.3 *The Councillor must put every such question directly, succinctly and without argument.*

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18.4 *The chairperson must not permit discussion on any reply or refusal to reply to a question put to a Councillor or council employee under this section.*

18.5 *Nothing in this clause affects questions being asked, with the leave of the Chairperson, relevant to any matter under discussion at a meeting.*

Which has been taken in part from the NSW Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 Part 10, Division 3 Clause 249

249 Questions may be put to councillors and council employees

(1) *A councillor:*

- (a) *may, through the chairperson, put a question to another councillor, and*
- (b) *may, through the general manager, put a question to a council employee.*

(2) *However, a councillor or council employee to whom a question is put is entitled to be given reasonable notice of the question and, in particular, sufficient notice to enable reference to be made to other persons or to documents.*

(3) *The councillor must put every such question directly, succinctly and without argument.*

(4) *The chairperson must not permit discussion on any reply or refusal to reply to a question put to a councillor or council employee under this clause.*

These excerpts have been previously reported to Council by the General Manager, in May 2009; following a Notice of Motion 'Questions without Notice'.

As a result of this review an agenda item, Questions and Matters of Urgency has been included that will follow the Director Reports on the Council Meeting Business Paper. There are two possible outcomes from a question being directed by a Councillor to either another Councillor or council employee. These being;

1. A response is provided. The information is available or knowledge of issue accepted, the matter is completed with no action required.
2. There is no reply or a refusal to reply to the question. The information is not available or there is no knowledge of issue. In which case;
 - a. the question is taken on notice and a report brought back to the next Council meeting; or
 - b. the question raises a notice of motion that is placed on the agenda at the next Council meeting for determination

The role of the Chairperson is to ensure that each question is put '*directly, succinctly and without argument*' and to '*not permit any discussion*' on the right of another Councillor or council employee to either not reply or refuse to reply, for whatever reason.

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In effect there is no opportunity for a Council resolution to be made during this Questions and Matters of Urgency; unless it becomes a Mayoral Minute. Other Council's have approached this issue along similar lines; quoting Section 249 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council place on the monthly Business Paper an item; Questions and Matters of Urgency with guidelines for practice and Councillor obligation as determined by Councils Code of Meeting Practice and the NSW Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.

The resolution that accompanied this report was:

1.8 QUESTIONS AND MATTERS OF URGENCY (GW0001)

203 RESOLVED that Council place on the monthly Business Paper an item, Questions and Matters of Urgency with guidelines for practice and Councillor obligation as determined by Councils Code of Meeting Practice and the NSW Local Government (General) Regulations 2005.

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The motion was carried

As a consequence of this motion an item of "Questions Without Notice" has been included on the Business Paper Agendas.

The Division of LG issues a series of "Meetings Practice Notes" that guide Councils in how they should run meetings. A revising practice note (on note 16) has been issued that covers the matter of questions without notice. A copy of the revised notes has been distributed to Councillors previously.

The Practice Notes says:

Questions at Council Meetings Generally

The opportunity to raise questions at council meetings should not be abused. Councillors should bear in mind that there may well be other effective avenues of obtaining information, for example through the General Manager outside the formal meeting cycle.

As in the case of putting forward notices of motion, councillors must, in submitting questions, balance their civic responsibility for representing the interests of their community with their obligation to use council's resources effectively and efficiently.

Questions Without Notice

Clause 1.4.11 of the revised Practice Note explains that allowing questions without notice is inconsistent with the provisions of clause 241(1) of the Local

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Government (General) Regulation 2005 which requires notice to be given of matters to be raised at council meetings.

The purpose of the notice requirement is to enable all councillors and the public to be aware, by reading the agenda for the meeting, of matters that will be raised at the meeting. This in turn promotes openness and transparency in the conduct of council meetings.

The notice requirement also ensures that questions, when asked, are appropriately recorded and responded to. It should not stifle debate or constrain the asking of questions.

If the subject matter of a question is genuinely urgent and the question is not on the agenda, the question could be raised under clause 241(3) of the Regulation. That clause allows a matter to be raised before council, despite notice not having been given, if:

- *a motion is passed to have the matter brought before the meeting; and*
- *the matter is ruled by the chairperson to be of great urgency.*

It should be borne in mind that a councillor is at liberty to ask a question of another councillor or the General Manager about a matter that is on the meeting agenda during the debate on that matter.

The Division considers that it is acceptable for a council to adopt a practice of allowing councillors, just prior to the end of a meeting, to raise questions on the understanding that the answers will be provided at the following meeting.

Such questions should be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. This could be formalised by way of an agenda item "Questions for Next Meeting:.". This would constitute a means of giving notice of the question for the following meeting, provided that there is sufficient time between the two meetings to meet the notice requirements of clause 241. When such questions are listed, there is nothing preventing an answer being given straight away, if it makes sense to do so."

The Practice Note indicated that questions without notice are inconsistent clause 241(1) of the regulations and as such should be removed from the Agenda. Council may wish to introduce a section titled "Questions for Next Meeting". This concept is in line with the advice given at the May 2009 Meeting relating to "Questions With Notice".

RECOMMENDATION

That Council cease to include an item in its Meeting agenda titled "Questions Without Notice".

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1.11 STORES STOCKTAKE

Council at its September 2009 meeting considered the outcome of a stock take undertaken at 30th March 2009. From that it was determined that a report be done on the fuel discrepancies.

The resolution in part states

2.8 COUNCIL STOCK TAKE AS AT 30 MARCH 2009

90 RESOLVED:

..... **FURTHER** that following investigation of the loss of fuel over the last three (3) years, that a report detailing the discrepancies, stolen fuel and other anomalies be presented to the October 2009 meeting.

This report has not been presented to Council to date.

To undertake a thorough review of the operations of the stores stock takes and general process operations of the stores I engaged a consultant, Mr Tony Hughes, to prepare a report on the stores operations and stock takes from the time of the amalgamation.

A copy of that report will be distributed to Councillors under separate cover prior to the meeting.

Out of the review a series of operational procedures that need to be tightened up were identified. These will be addressed. The management of fuels and oils continue to exhibit significant failures to balance.

In addition to the balancing and procedural issues it has been discovered that the Stocktake for April 2008 was not submitted to Council for approval to carry out the various adjustments. This list will be presented to Council prior to the June 2010 meeting to allow the endorsement of those adjustments through resolution.

The adjustments to stores figure is handled automatically through the accounting system.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the report and a monthly Stocktake of all fuels and oils be undertaken, including a physical dip of all fuel storages and that the outcome of these stock takes be reported to Council at each ordinary meeting.

Further that the stores adjustments for April 2008 be endorsed.

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1.12 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Following a verbal request for a leave of absence from a Councillor in December 2009 and subsequent approval, Council resolved that a report be bought back regarding the Policy for Leave of Absence from Council meetings for Councillors.

Following is an extract from the Local Government Act 1993 No. 30 Section 234 in relation to the leave of absence from Council meetings:

- (2) *For the purposes of subsection (1) (d), a councilor applying for a leave of absence from a meeting of a council does not need to make the application in person and the council may grant such leave in the absence of that councilor.*
- (3) *If the holder of a civic office attends a council meeting (whether or not an ordinary meeting) despite having been granted leave of absence, the leave of absence is taken to have been rescinded as regards any future council meeting.*
- (4) *Subsection (3) does not prevent the council from granting further leave of absence in respect of any future council meeting.*

Further, in section 234 (1) of the Act it states that:

- (1) *a civic office becomes vacant if the holder:*
 - (d) *is absent from 3 consecutive ordinary meetings of the council (unless the holder is absent because he or she has been suspended from office under section 482) without:*
 - (i) *prior leave of the council, or*
 - (ii) *leave granted by the council at any of the meetings concerned.*

In October 2008 Councillors attended a Professional Development Programme presented by Gerry Holmes B.Sc.(Hons). In his booklet "Meeting Procedures for Local Government" Gerry outlines the importance of distinguishing between "prior leave" and "apology for attendance". It says,

The Act, Section 234, makes specific provision for disqualifying a councilor if the councilor is absent without prior leave of the council from 3 consecutive meetings of the council. It is important to emphasize that the permission for leave must be given in advance and cannot be given retrospectively. Particular attention has to be given to distinguish between "prior leave" and "apology for non-attendance". There is a fundamental difference between obtaining leave of absence not to attend, as opposed to an apology for an incapacity to be present at a meeting which requires attendance.

Leave of absence is a dispensation from an obligation to attend. An apology is the recognition to fulfill the obligation to attend. The critical question is to determine whether, in law, the acceptance of an apology at the meeting meets the requirement for obtaining prior leave? The was one of the issues that was considered in the Ryan's case, see Ryan v Heiler (1990) 69 LGRA 307. It was held that if an apology was accepted by the meeting there may have been a strong argument for saying that the absence was with

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leave of permission of the council. However, the issue was not completely resolved in that case. More importantly the Act refers now to “prior” leave. Acceptance of apology for non-attendance at a meeting is contemporaneous not prior. How can a councillor request prior permission to be absent from a meeting when the meeting has commenced? It is a moot legal point. Play it safe and if in doubt seek permission in advance.

Legal advice has been sought from Gerry Holmes about the current interpretations of the matters surrounding leave of absence. Essentially that advice is the previously advised advice is clarified as follows

- An apology is simply a formal acknowledgement of a Councillor not being present at a meeting and will be sought and given (or not) without the absent Councillor needing to do anything formally. Someone else is seeking the approval.
- Leave of absence has to be sought by the Councillor themselves there appears to be no authority for another Councillor to make the request on behalf of another Councillor. One Councillor can ask for leave of absence of the absent Councillor. Therefore there is only one of two ways this can be achieved.
 1. That the Councillor seeks through a notice of motion at an earlier meet leave of absence and it is approved at that prior meeting or
 2. That the Councillor submits a written request to the General Manager for submission to the relevant meeting delivered to the meeting by another Councillor. But it must be written.

The underlying requirement is that if a Councillor misses three consecutive meetings without being granted leave of absence they can no longer hold the office. It is interesting to note that Council could accept the apology of a Councillor by not approve the leave of absence.

Overall everything is in order until a matter is challenged and often challenges only arise out of disagreements within and between Councillors. Although it is also possible that a member of the public could challenge the legal presence of a Councillor if a contentious situation arises when the Councillor was absent for 3 or more meetings without a resolution of Council to approve leave of absence.

A copy of Gerry Holmes advice has been forwarded to Councillors under separate cover.

In the end the final comment by Gerry Holmes is good advice – if in doubt – play it safe and seek permission in advance.

With the above advice it is unnecessary for Council to have a policy on leave of absence – over time the law may further clarify the issue.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council’s information only.

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1.13 AUSTRALIA WIDE RURAL ROAD GROUP

The Gwydir Shire has led the formation of a group consisting of Councils across Australia that are from high agriculturally productive Councils. The invitation to join the group is limited to Councils whose agricultural production is over \$100 million and statistically a significant agricultural area. There are less than 100 councils that fit that clarification.

Warrumbungle Shire is being invited to become a member of this Incorporated Group. The cost of membership is \$100 per annum.

The Group's aim is two fold:

- i) To establish a network to share innovative ideas about maintaining and upgrading of road infrastructure and,
- ii) To seek additional road funding to these significant agricultural producing areas. The level of funding is based on production levels, the impact on the road network and leveraging a greater contribution to roads based on the contribution the Council area makes to the economy.

Details of the invitation has been distributed to Councillors separately.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council's consideration.

1.14 INVESTMENT POLICY

In May 2010 the Minister for Local Government issued new Guidelines for the preparation of an Investment Policy for Councils.

In line with these Guidelines the Warrumbungle Shire Council's Investment Policy has been reviewed and amended.

The new Investment Policy is now submitted for Council's consideration and endorsement.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council's consideration and endorsement.

Investments Policy

Contents:

1. Policy Statement/Objectives

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The purpose of this policy is to provide a framework for the investing of Warrumbungle Shire Council's surplus funds at the most favourable rate of interest available to it at the time whilst having due consideration of risk and security for that investment type and ensuring that its liquidity requirements are being met.

While exercising the power to invest, consideration is to be given to the preservation of capital, liquidity, and the return of investment. Council therefore has three primary objectives for its investment portfolio:

- The preservation of the amount invested;
- To ensure there is sufficient liquidity to meet all reasonably anticipated cash flow requirements; and
- To achieve a market average rate of return in line with Council's risk tolerance.

2. Legislative Requirements

All investments are to comply with the following:

- Local Government Act 1993;
- Local Government (General) Regulation 2005;
- Ministerial Investment Order;
- Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting;
- Australian Accounting Standards; and
- Division of Local Government Circulars.

3. Delegation of Authority

Authority for implementation of the Investment Policy is delegated by Council to the General Manager in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.

The General Manager may in turn delegate the day-to-day management of Council's Investment to the Responsible Accounting Officer or senior staff, subject to regular reviews.

Officers' delegated authority to manage Council's investments shall be recorded and required to acknowledge they have received a copy of this policy and understand their obligations in this role.

4. Prudent Person Standard

The investment will be managed with the care, diligence and skill that a prudent person would exercise. As trustees of public monies, officers are to manage Council's investment portfolio to safeguard the portfolio in accordance with the spirit of this Investment Policy, and not for speculative purposes.

5. Ethics and Conflicts of Interest

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Officers shall refrain from personal activities that would conflict with the proper execution and management of Council's investment portfolio. This policy requires officers to disclose any conflict of interest to the General Manager.

Independent advisors are also required to declare that they have no actual or perceived conflicts of interest.

6. Approved Investments

All investments must be denominated in Australian Dollars. Authorised Investments are limited to those allowed by the Ministerial Investment Order and include:

- Commonwealth/State/Territory Government securities eg bonds;
- Interest bearing deposits/senior securities issued by an eligible Authorised Deposit Taking Institution (ADI);
- Bills of exchange, (< 200 days duration) guaranteed by an ADI;
- Debentures issued by NSW Local Government;
- Land mortgages (< 60% of land value);
- Deposits with Local Government Investment Services Pty Ltd ("LGIS")
- Deposits with NSW Treasury &/or Investments in T-Corp's Hour Glass Facility; and
- Investments grandfathered under the Ministerial Investment Order.

7. Prohibited Investments

In accordance with the Ministerial Investment Order, this investment policy prohibits but is not limited to any investment carried out for speculative purposes including:

- Derivative based instruments;
- Principal only investments or securities that provide potentially nil or negative cash flow; and
- Stand alone securities issued that have underlying futures, options, forwards contracts and swaps of any kind.

This policy also prohibits the use of leveraging (borrowing to invest) of an investment.

8. Risk Management Guidelines

Investments obtained are to be considered in light of the following key criteria:

- Preservation of Capital – the requirement for preventing losses in an investment portfolio's total value (considering the time value of money);
- Diversification – setting limits to the amounts invested with a particular financial institution or government authority to reduce credit risk;
- Credit risk – the risk that a council has invested in fails to pay the interest and or repay the principal of an investment.

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- Market Risk – the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of an investment will fluctuate due to changes in market prices;
 - Liquidity Risk – the risk an investor is unable to redeem the investment at a fair price within a timely period; and
 - Maturity Risk – the risk relating to the length of term to maturity of the investment. The larger the term, the greater the length of exposure and risk to volatilities.

9. Investment Advisor

The Council's investment advisor must be approved by Council and licensed by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission. The advisor must be an independent person who has no actual or potential conflict of interest in relation to investment products being recommended and is free to choose the most appropriate product within the terms and conditions of the investment policy.

The independent advisor is required to provide written confirmation that they do not have any actual or potential conflicts of interest in relation to the investments they are recommending or reviewing, including that they are not receiving any commissions or other benefits in relation to the investments being recommended or reviewed.

10. Measurement

As Council continues to hold grandfathered investments such as Collateralised Debt Obligations (DCO's), the investment returns for the portfolio is to be regularly reviewed by an independent financial advisor by assessing the market value of the portfolio. The market value is to be assessed at least once a month to coincide with monthly reporting.

11. Benchmarking

Performance benchmarks need to be established and should be based on sound and consistent methodology.

Investment	Performance Benchmark
Cash	11am Cash Rate
Direct Investments	AFMA BBSW Rate: Average Mid – 90 day

12. Reporting and Reviewing of Investments

Documentary evidence must be held for each investment and details thereof maintained in an investment Register.

The documentary evidence must provide Council legal title to the investment.

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Certificates must be obtained from the financial institutions confirming the amounts of investments held on the Council's behalf as at 30 June each year and reconciled to the Investment Register.

All investments are to be appropriately recorded in Council's financial records and reconciled at least on a monthly basis.

A monthly report will be provided to Council. The report will detail the investment portfolio in terms of performance, percentage exposure of total portfolio, maturity date and changes in market value.

This Investment Policy will be reviewed at least once a year or as required in the event of legislative changes. The Investment Policy may also be changed as a result of other amendments that are to the advantage of that Council and in the spirit of this policy. Any amendment to the Investment Policy must be by way of Council resolution.

General Products Check List

General questions to consider when investing in simple products that are straight forward such as bank deposit, bills of exchange, bonds, etc.

- i) Have you found out how the funds will be invested, how will they generate returns and how will these be paid to the council? (Could you describe to others how this product works?)

Yes No

- ii) Are you clear on the conditions associated with this type of investment and their level of risk?

Yes No

- iii) Does the investment meet the council's financial objective and complies with its investment policy?

Yes No

- iv) Are your product issuers licensed by the Australian Security and Investment Commission?

Yes No

- v) Do you know if/how the investment may be affected by a major shift in the economy and market sentiment?

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Yes No

vi) Could the investment be liquidated in a timely manner without loss or penalty? Is it possible for the council to quickly get its money back out of this product if it needs to? Are there any fees to get out early?

Yes No

Note: if you answered No to any of the above questions, do your research and consult your financial adviser. If necessary, review your investment decision.

Investment Policy Checklist

Include general items that should be incorporated into your council's investment policy. Have you included the following as part of your investment policy?

i) Clearly stipulated the investment objective.

Yes No

ii) Specify the level of risk the Council is prepared to accept.

Yes No

iii) Prohibit the,

- purchase of speculative financial instruments &
- use of leveraging of an investment portfolio.

Yes No

iv) Identified the legislative requirements.

Yes No

v) List the allowable investments and/or prohibited investments.

Yes No

vi) specify investment parameters including the overall portfolio limits, counterparty credit framework and term to maturity framework.

Yes No

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vii) If applicable, require independent valuation of investments in order to reflect the current market prices.

Yes No

viii) state the appropriate benchmarks for evaluating investment performance.

Yes No

ix) Require a monthly report of the status and performance of investment portfolio.

Yes No

x) Require independent financial assessments of the value of the investment portfolio.

Yes No

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R J GERAGHTY
GENERAL MANAGER

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Mr R J Geraghty
General Manager
Warrumbungle Shire Council
John Street
COONABARABRAN 2357

Dear Sir

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

ANNEXURE 2

2.1 BANK ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 MAY 2010

GENERAL FUND	BANK	RESTRICTED	BALANCE
General Fund Bank Balance	\$ 10,091,586.24		\$ 8,223,070.24
Future Capital Upgrading		\$ 371,270.13	
Employees Leave Liability		\$ 767,414.00	
External Grants for Specific Projects		\$ 418,832.87	
Development Sec 94/64 Contributions		\$ 310,999.00	
TOTALS	\$ 10,091,586.24	\$ 1,868,516.00	\$ 8,223,070.24

WATER FUNDS	BANK	RESTRICTED	BALANCE
Baradine Water Bank	\$ 576,378.65		\$ 576,378.65
Binnaway Water Bank	\$ 500,935.55	\$ -	\$ 500,935.55
Coonabarabran Water Bank	\$ 1,165,108.76	\$ 914,150.00	\$ 250,958.76
Coolah Water	\$ 754,772.29		\$ 754,772.29
TOTALS	\$ 2,997,195.25	\$ 914,150.00	\$ 2,083,045.25

SEWERAGE FUNDS	BANK	RESTRICTED	BALANCE
Coonabarabran Sewerage	\$ 2,575,905.78	\$ 1,558,000.00	\$ 1,017,905.78
Baradine Sewerage	\$ 339,526.38	\$ 292,320.00	\$ 47,206.38
Coolah Sewerage	\$ 1,307,447.15	\$ 828,800.00	\$ 478,647.15
TOTALS	\$ 4,222,879.31	\$ 2,679,120.00	\$ 1,543,759.31

TRUST FUND			
Trust Fund	\$ 151,448.58	\$ 151,448.58	\$ -
TOTALS	\$ 151,448.58	\$ 151,448.58	\$ -

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SUMMARY	BANK	RESTRICTED	BALANCE
General Fund	\$ 10,091,586.24	\$ 1,868,516.00	\$ 8,223,070.24
Water Fund	\$ 2,997,195.25	\$ 914,150.00	\$ 2,083,045.25
Sewerage Fund	\$ 4,222,879.31	\$ 2,679,120.00	\$ 1,543,759.31
Trust Fund	\$ 151,448.58	\$ 151,448.58	\$ -
TOTALS	\$ 17,463,109.38	\$ 5,613,234.58	\$ 11,849,874.80

RECOMMENDATION

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2.2 INVESTMENTS HELD AS AT 31 MAY 2010

Warrumbungle Shire Council Local Government Financial Management Regulations (Clause 16) Investments Held As At 31 May 2010.										
ON CALL										
	Investment	S & P Fitch Rating	Final Maturity Date	Current Interest Rate	Interest Frequency	Next Interest Date/Reset	Amount Invested Face Value (\$)	Market Value at End Of Month (\$)	% of Total Funds (Face Value)	Accrued Interest to End of Month \$
	AMP	A !+	On Call	5.50%	Monthly	End of Month	1,700,000.00	1,700,000.00	0.112	Daily
OTHER INVESTMENTS										
								-	0.000	0
1	RIM Securities BOND ST CUSTODIAN- TITANIUM AAA	AA	14/12/2010	4.96%	Quarterly	14/03/2010	2,000,000.00	1,959,556	0.132	13,182
2	CBA Range Accrual	AA-	14/12/2010	Outside Range Note 1	No Coupon	14/03/2010	1,000,000.00	999,900.00	0.0658	No Coupon
3	CBA Range Accrual	AA-	16/12/2010	Outside Range Note 1	No Coupon	16/03/2010	1,000,000.00	999,900.00	0.0658	No Coupon

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	Investment	S & P Fitch Rating	Final Maturity Date	Current Interest Rate	Interest Frequency	Next Interest Date/Reset	Amount Invested Face Value (\$)	Market Value at End Of Month (\$)	% of Total Funds (Face Value)	Accured Interest to End of Month \$
4	ROYAL BANK CANADA Range Accrual	AA-	16/03/2011	Outside Range Note 2	No Coupon	16/03/2010	1,000,000.00	996,200.00	0.0658	No Coupon
5	ANZ CREDIT SAIL-ANZ INVESTMENT BANK CDO- A	B	30/12/2011	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	30/03/2010	500,000.00	372,000.00	0.033	No Coupon
6	BENDIGO BANK FRN	BBB	21/09/2012	5.22%	Quarterly	21/03/2010	500,000.00	471,270.00	0.033	9,791
7	ANZ ASPIRT 1- CPPI/FRN-Aap	AA	11/08/2012	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	11/02/2010	500,000.00	452,150.00	0.033	No Coupon
8	WBC DANDELION-FRN-	AA	21/12/2012	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	21/03/2010	1,000,000.00	842,500.00	0.0658	No Coupon
9	ANZ ASPRIT 11- CPPI/FRN-Aap	AA	30/03/2013	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	30/03/2010	800,000.00	705,680.00	0.05	No Coupon

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	Investment	S & P Fitch Rating	Final Maturity Date	Current Interest Rate	Interest Frequency	Next Interest Date/Reset	Amount Invested Face Value (\$)	Market Value at End Of Month (\$)	% of Total Funds (Face Value)	Accrued Interest to End of Month \$
10	DEUTSCHE BANK AG LONDON DAISY	AA-	31/05/2011	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	28/02/2010	1,500,000.00	1,428,900.00	0.10	No Coupon
11	ANZ ALL SEASONS- KEOLIS AAA	AA+	16/06/2013	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	16/03/2010	1,500,000.00	1,173,900.00	0.10	No Coupon
12	ANZ AVERON BOND- SEALINK P/L- CPPI/FRN-AAA	AA+	20/06/2013	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	30/03/2010	700,000.00	561,750.00	0.046	No Coupon
13	DRESDNER BANK OCTAGON PLC- EMU NOTE	AA+	30/10/2015	0.00% Note 3	No Coupon	30/01/2010	1,500,000.00	1,138,200.00	0.10	No Coupon
							15,200,000.00	13,801,906.00	Interest Received	159,448.29

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Monthly Investment Certification

In accordance with Regulation No.264, Clause 19(3)(b) I certify that the investments have been made in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and the Council's Investment policies at the time the investment was made.

Responsible Accounting Officer

Notes to Investment Report

1 The Range Accrual Interest Payment for the CBA is dependant on the BBSW(Bank Bill Swap Rate March 4.536%) being between 4.5% and 6.5%
When the BBSW is within that range it pays 7.5% and outside it pays nothing.
This investment is now paying interest as of the last RBA increase.

2 The Range Accrual Interest Payment for the Royal Bank Of Canada is dependant on the BBSW(Bank Bill Swap Rate- March 4.536%)
being between 4.75% and 6.75%. When the BBSW is within that range it will pay 7.7% and outside it will pay nothing
The valuation on this investment is almost \$ for \$ at the end of December.
The RBA is expected to have several interest rate increases this year which will see this start paying again.

3 With the other investments where no coupon is indicated - they are in principal protection mode. When the basket of securities reaches \$ for \$ again they will start paying coupons again based on the quarterly BBSW plus margin

General Note

Valuations based on data received at end and are for the capital value only.(do not include accrued interest)

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2.3 RECONCILIATION OF GENERAL FUND BANK ACCOUNT – as at 31 May 2010

	General Managed Fund	Trust Fund	Investment Fund
Cashbook as at 31st May, 2010			
Opening Balance	776,507.19	139,645.95	14,700,000.00
Plus Deposits	5,239,914.02	17,313.33	500,000.00
Less Payments	-3,904,760.41	-5,510.70	0.00
Adjusted Cashbook Balance	2,111,660.80	151,448.58	15,200,000.00
Bank Statement as at 31st May, 2010			
	1,997,269.38	152,173.95	
Plus Outstanding Deposits	130,948.83	40.03	
Less Outstanding Payments	-16,557.41	-765.40	
Adjusted Statement Balance	2,111,660.80	151,448.58	0.00
Ledger Cash Book			
Closing Balance	2,111,660.80	151,448.58	15,200,000.00
Total Ledger	2,111,660.80	151,448.58	15,200,000.00
<i>Difference</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00

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2.4 RATES AND CHARGES COLLECTION REPORT UP TO and INCLUDING MAY 2010

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GENERAL		RATE ARREARS	2007/2008 LEVY	PENSIONER WRITE OFF	ABAND- ONED	RATE ARREARS AND NET LEVY	TOTAL PAYMENTS TO DATE	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2009/2010	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2008/2009	COLLECT- ION % 2009/2010	COLLECT- ION % 2008/2009
	CBN RES/ RURAL RES	107,434	977,548	70,331	12,108	1,002,542	839,830	162,712	118,035	83.77%	87.96%
	BARADINE	42,846	135,622	16,749	1,152	160,568	127,552	33,015	43,936	79.44%	70.34%
	BINNAWAY	18,724	65,638	10,887	2,762	70,713	59,922	10,790	18,303	84.74%	73.09%
	VILLAGES	8,033	27,838	2,325	1,155	32,391	25,550	6,841	7,112	78.88%	74.22%
	FARMLAND	193,869	3,931,879	19,519	141,334	3,964,895	3,608,988	355,906	230,003	91.02%	84.19%
	COOLAH	16,446	194,288	14,316	0	196,417	169,581	26,836	18,080	86.34%	90.00%
	DUNEDOO	14,882	208,879	15,354	0	208,408	182,731	25,677	18,523	87.68%	90.57%
	MENDOORAN	8,991	66,241	7,122	1	68,109	52,157	15,951	9,650	76.58%	85.21%
	LEADVILLE	2,970	10,433	1,437	0	11,966	11,096	870	3,050	92.73%	70.82%
	MERRYGOEN	465	4,242	794	0	3,912	2,829	1,083	558	72.32%	84.80%

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GENERAL		RATE ARREARS	2007/2008 LEVY	PENSIONER WRITE OFF	ABAND- ONED	RATE ARREARS AND NET LEVY	TOTAL PAYMENTS TO DATE	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2009/2010	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2008/2009	COLLECT- ION % 2009/2010	COLLECT- ION % 2008/2009
	NEILREX	336	2,372	151	0	2,557	2,071	486	347	80.99%	84.26%
	UARBRY	0	3,628	85	7	3,536	3,141	395	53	88.82%	101.28%
	COOLABAH ESTATE	2,567	15,056	1,701	0	15,923	13,279	2,644	2222	83.39%	85.23%
	RUR/RES COBBORA	572	3,040	229	0	3,383	3,063	319	90	90.56%	97.56%
	GENERAL RESD/BUS- STH	12,536	161,795	9,687	1	164,644	174,130	-9,487	14,233	105.76%	89.15%
	BUSINESS- CBN-RURAL	21,086	379,673	250	3	400,507	368,507	32,000	25,625	92.01%	93.47%
WATER						0		0			
	COONABARA -BRAN	32,524	360,592	27,387	6,130	359,598	323,892	35,706	35,667	90.07%	88.66%
	BARADINE	36,273	107,574	9,937	990	132,920	112,529	20,391	36,157	84.66%	67.49%
	BINNAWAY	30,832	112,829	8,649	4,722	130,289	113,735	16,554	29,106	87.29%	67.86%
	VILLAGES	18,872	11,040	875	4,837	24,199	15,339	8,861	18,727	63.38%	30.81%
	FARMLAND - NTH & STH	3.72	1,120.00	0.00	0.00	1,124	972	151	68	86.53%	93.93%

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WATER		RATE ARREARS	2007/2008 LEVY	PENSIONER WRITE OFF	ABAND- ONED	RATE ARREARS AND NET LEVY	TOTAL PAYMENTS TO DATE	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2009/2010	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2008/2009	COLLECT- ION % 2009/2010	COLLECT- ION % 2008/2009
	COOLAH	20,604	210,564	11,517	0	219,651	183,706	35,945	24,296	83.64%	86.23%
	DUNEDOO	10,276	144,540	9,219	0	145,597	126,573	19,023	13,186	86.93%	89.20%
	MENDOORAN	14,837	140,985	4,879	9	150,934	114,763	36,171	18,038	76.04%	82.27%
	MERRYGOEN	1,857	10,580	921	0	11,516	7,572	3,944	2,245	65.75%	81.58%
SEWERAGE						0		0			
	COONABARA -BRAN	46,222	587,939	27,210	4,721	602,231	533,141	69,089	52,534	88.53%	91.95%
	BARADINE	47,624	155,124	8,362	1,488	192,898	169,724	23,174	46,449	87.99%	75.47%
	COOLAH	15,882	197,103	9,023	0	203,962	173,996	29,965	19,020	85.31%	87.93%
	DUNEDOO	11,126	173,230	8,957	0	175,399	154,027	21,372	13,720	87.82%	90.46%
		738,688	8,401,393	297,872	181,422	8,660,787	7,674,398	986,389	818,927	88.61%	90.12%

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		RATE ARREARS	2007/2008 LEVY	PENSIONER WRITE OFF	ABAND- ONED	RATE ARREARS AND NET LEVY	TOTAL PAYMENTS TO DATE	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2009/2010	TOTAL OUTSTAND- ING 2008/2009	COLLECT- ION % 2009/2010	COLLECT- ION % 2008/2009
GARBAGE- North		73,509	701,260	56,357	4,341	714,071	620,607	93,463	79,507	86.91%	87.18%
GARBAGE - South		35,783	434,305	38,882	4	431,201	361,493	69,708	46,027	83.83%	87.40%
FARMLAND - NTH - STH		1,491	35,741	571	11	36,649	33,466	3,183	1,775	91.31%	94.11%
LEGAL FEES		218,349	92,930	0	8,744	302,535	92,930	209,605	178,410	30.72%	45.19%
								0			
INTEREST		191,241	79,126	0	0	270,367	0	270,367	68,402	0.00%	55.47%
	TOTALS	1,259,060	9,744,754	393,682	194,523	10,415,609	8,782,894	1,632,715	1,193,048	84.32%	86.93%

Note: These do not include Legal / Interest / Waste Outstanding Amounts as they are not broken up into these localities

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2.5 COUNCIL'S STOCK TAKE AS AT 30 MARCH 2010

Background

The last Stock Take report was brought to Council in September 2009 and covered write-ons and write-offs for the previous three years.

A stock take was carried out in March this year and the full list of write-ons and write-offs is attached.

Report

The total amount requested to be written off is \$14,575.35.

This is made up of and overall write-on of \$993.25 for general store items and a write off of \$15,568.60 of fuel:

Unleaded fuel	\$ 7,463.24	(6,205.2 Litres)
Distillate	<u>\$ 8,105.36</u>	(6,887.3 Litres)
Total Fuel Variances	\$15,568.60	

As reported last year:

Fuel Variances can occur through a number of ways:

1. Inaccuracies in count measurements
2. Inaccuracies in delivery measurements
3. Variance in temperatures at delivery time and issue time
4. Evaporation
5. Book entry errors
6. Theft

If seen as a percentage of the total dollar spend on fuel this represents a shortage of 1.681% which in itself would be seen as being in the acceptable range. From the Auditors perspective it would be seen as "immaterial". However given that most of these shortages are at the Coonabarabran Depot, it is still considered significant by management.

Fuel procedures have been revised then reviewed and revised again. With new procedures introduced to carry out a monthly stock take of fuel we expect to be able to be even more definitive in the future in analysing any losses.

Conclusion

Council's stores process several million dollars worth of orders per year – not all are stock items. However this year to date, just over \$2.5M worth of stock items have been purchased for the stores operations. This write off represents 0.583% of total.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council write off Stores and Materials to the total value of \$14,575.35

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Warrumbungle Shire Council		Stocktake History Report		10015.LOCKEY To WRENC018921 01-07-2009 to 30-06-2010		Financial Year Ending 2010	
Stock No.	Description	Date	Add Qty	Value	Aggregated Qty/Aggregated Qty	Aggregated Qty/Aggregated Qty	
10279BATTERY	BATTERY, 6V HEAVY DUTY(SUIT DO	3/3/2010	-1.00	-3.00			
10280BATTERY	BATTERY, 1.5V SHD, 1250, 015499900	3/3/2010	1.00	1.47			
16009PADLOCK	PADLOCKS	3/2/2010	-1.00	-54.00			
17246GLASSES	GLASSES SAFETY CLEAR VECTOR	3/3/2010	-2.00	-5.30			
20045TOILET	TOILET PAPER	3/2/2010	-1.00	-0.56			
ADAPTER12748	ADAPTER HOSE TO TAP 18MM MAXIF	3/3/2010	-4.00	-20.72			
AIRFRESH13190	AIR FRESHENER, HOSPECO, 175G	3/3/2010	3.00	12.51			
BAG10698	BAGS, GARBAGE, 75L BIN LINER, JIN	3/3/2010	-2.00	-24.08			
BATTER52010	BATTERIES - SMALL	3/2/2010	-1.00	-2.50	Blades		
BLADE10440	BLADE, EDGER, BYNORM, 110, 074H	3/3/2010	-1.00	-5.82	0.00	-106.59	
BLADE10474	BLADES, WCTA MUSTANG, COMMANDC	3/3/2010	3.00	5.22			
BLADE10500	BLADE WIPER WINDSCREEN, TRICO T	3/3/2010	2.00	5.02			
BLADE10510	BLADE WIPER WINDSCREEN, TRICO M	3/3/2010	-2.00	-3.36			
BLADE10515	BLADE WIPER WINDSCREEN, TTR610-	3/3/2010	4.00	19.52			
BLADE10520	BLADE WIPER WINDSCREEN, TTR28-1	3/3/2010	-2.00	-19.66			
BLADE11109	BLADE BERENDS SLASHER, BS-01603	3/3/2010	-2.00	-70.66			
BLADE11110	BLADE SLASHER SET BOLTS/BUSHES	3/3/2010	-2.00	-12.00			
BLADE52221	BLADE-HACKSAW/JIG SAW	3/2/2010	1.00	2.48			
BLADE52222	BLADE - HUSQVARNA	3/2/2010	-1.00	-27.33	Bolts		
BOLT11159	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	20.00	10.00	134.00	164.64	
BOLT11165	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-20.00	-2.40			
BOLT11167	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	20.00	10.00			
BOLT11169	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	1.00	0.09			
BOLT11177	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-7.00	-0.70			
BOLT11179	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-4.00	-0.88			
BOLT11181	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-5.00	-1.00			
BOLT11201	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.50			
BOLT11203	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	1.00	0.37			
BOLT11205	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	29.00	3.19			
BOLT11207	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	3.00	0.64			
BOLT11209	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-32.00	-16.00			
BOLT11211	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	44.00	22.00			
BOLT11217	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	24.00	12.00			
BOLT11219	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-24.00	-8.40			
BOLT11221	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-9.00	-2.07			
BOLT11223	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD, 5	3/3/2010	-6.00	-1.44			
BOLT11231	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	-2.00	-0.27			
BOLT11234	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	-1.00	-1.02			
BOLT11251	BOLT WITH NUT, CUP HEAD, 10X25MM	3/3/2010	5.00	2.50			
BOLT11271	BOLT WITH NUT, CUP HEAD, 10X15MM	3/3/2010	3.00	1.56			
BOLT11277	BOLT, HTS, COARSE, 10X35MM GAL	3/3/2010	3.00	1.50			
BOLT11279	BOLT, NUT HT, 3/8 X 1 1/4 UNC	3/3/2010	-13.00	-3.77			
BOLT11281	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	9.00	0.28			
BOLT11283	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	9.00	4.50			
BOLT11287	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	2.00	0.56			
BOLT11289	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	7.00	2.45			
BOLT11295	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	1.00	0.28			
BOLT11361	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	-2.00	-1.00			
BOLT11397	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	2.00	0.54			
BOLT11399	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	1.00	0.50			
BOLT11357	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	2.00	1.46			
BOLT11389	BOLT WITH NUT, STEEL, HEX HEAD,	3/3/2010	2.00	1.18			

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BOL.T11371	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-3.00	-3.00		
BOL.T11375	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	75.00	75.00		
BOL.T11379	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	27.00	27.00		
BOL.T11389	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	6.00	6.00		
BOL.T11407	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.88		
BOL.T11417	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	6.00	27.18		
BOL.T11419	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	3.00	6.93		
BOL.T11422	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-8.00	-8.00		
BOL.T11425	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	2.00	4.90		
BOL.T11470	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	2.00	3.06		
BOL.T11471	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-19.00	-39.00		
BOL.T11481	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	1.00	4.59		
BOL.T11583	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	1.00	0.06		
BOL.T11594	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	3.00	0.21		
BOL.T11596	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-19.00	-1.90		
BOL.T11512	BOLT WITH NUT STEEL HEX HEAD	3/3/2010	-11.00	-1.43		
BOL.T11513	BOLTS NUTS WASHERS COX STON B	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.18		
BOLTS11147	BOLTS NUTS WASHERS COX STON B	3/3/2010	2.00	4.16		
BOOTLACE11774	BOOTLACE LONG OLIVER	3/3/2010	-2.00	-4.80		
BRACKET12233	BRACKET SIGN ARC	3/3/2010	-1.00	-2.80		
BRACKET12236	BRACKET SIGN ARC	3/3/2010	-1.00	-12.57		
BRUSH65170	BRUSHMIRE	3/3/2010	-1.00	-4.11		
BUL.B12431	BUL B 24V 248W NARVA 47334	3/3/2010	6.00	7.44	Bulbs	53.00
BUL.B12447	BUL B 12V 40P CHECKOUNT	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.54		
BUL.B12449	BUL B 12V 215W REPCONARVA 47	3/3/2010	1.00	0.43		
BUL.B12461	BUL B 12V 6055W P/N 488818L NA	3/3/2010	-4.00	-3.98		
BUL.B12463	BUL B 12V 215W NARVA 47334	3/3/2010	3.00	1.82		
BUL.B12470	BUL B REV LIGHT 12V 180W	3/3/2010	2.00	10.46		
BUL.B12471	BUL B REV LIGHT 12V 180W	3/3/2010	3.00	30.15		
CABLE12476	CABLE THROTTLE CONTROL MOWER H	3/3/2010	1.00	8.93		
CAP12486	CAP BRIM AND NECK FLAP FOR HAR	3/3/2010	-2.00	-17.38		
CARTRIDGE12495	CARTRIDGE RESPIRATOR RCB6 0	3/3/2010	-1.00	-5.83		
CEMENT15090	CEMENT	3/3/2010	2.00	14.95		
CHESEL12564	CHESEL 32MM 03614D105 BL ACKMC	3/3/2010	2.00	46.34		
CHLORINE12575	CHLORINE 70KG IN CYLINDER	3/3/2010	2.00	728.34		
CLAMP12588	CLAMP 1 BOLT STAINLESS STEEL 5	3/3/2010	-2.00	-3.96	Clamps	-173.98
CLAMP12592	CLAMP HOSE WORN DRIVE 16-27MM	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.66		
CLAMP12593	CLAMP HOSE WORN DRIVE 16-27MM	3/3/2010	2.00	1.30		
CLAMP12595	CLAMP HOSE WORN DRIVE 16-27MM	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.80		
CLAMP12597	CLAMP T BOLT STAINLESS STEEL 11	3/3/2010	-6.00	-152.10		
CLAMP12598	CLAMP T BOLT STAINLESS STEEL 11	3/3/2010	-1.00	-8.17		
CLAMP12801	CLAMP HOSE WORN DRIVE 12-28MM	3/3/2010	1.00	1.15		
CLAMP12802	CLAMP HOSE WORN DRIVE 12-28MM	3/3/2010	3.00	1.20		
CLAMP12803	CLAMP T BOLT STAINLESS STEEL 7	3/3/2010	-1.00	-6.45		
CLEANER12710	CLEANER LENS AEROSOL 039801	3/3/2010	2.00	10.52		
CONCRETE12711	CONCRETE EDGER 48S 00819752	3/3/2010	-3.00	-14.07		
CONNECTOR12739	CONNECTOR 1/2IN DUADPTOR BRASS	3/3/2010	3.00	16.11		
CONNECTOR12740	CONNECTOR HOSE GREEN GUN END MACH	3/3/2010	2.00	14.56		
CONNECTOR12748	CONNECTOR HOSE 1/2IN MACH FLD	3/3/2010	1.00	10.58		
CONNECTOR12758	CONNECTOR HOSE 1/2IN 18MM 9916 0	3/3/2010	4.00	23.84		
CONNECTOR12989	CONNECTOR BRASS YORKWAY NO 2	3/3/2010	-19.00	-80.18		
CONNECTOR124188	CONNECTOR BRASS YORKWAY NO 3	3/3/2010	-10.00	-25.30		
COUPLING124918	COUPLING COPPER YORKWAY WTCU	3/3/2010	-4.00	-5.60		

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CROWBAR	CROWBAR	3/2/2010	1.00	175.38		
CUTTER-ROLT	CUTTER-ROLT	3/2/2010	1.00	129.73		
CUTTING-DISC COFF WHEEL STONE	CUTTING-DISC COFF WHEEL STONE	3/2/2010	-1.00	-6.41		
CUTTING-DISC COFF WHEEL STEE	CUTTING-DISC COFF WHEEL STEE	3/2/2010	3.00	31.65		
CUTTING-13013	CUTTING DISC METAL 356X323-4	3/2/2010	-5.00	-27.95		
D-SHACKLE E13315	D-SHACKLE 9MM 6/16	3/2/2010	-1.00	-1.66		
D-SHACKLE E13316	D-SHACKLE 11MM 1.57 W/L 01158	3/2/2010	2.00	4.10		
D-SHACKLE E13318	D-SHACKLE 16MM W/L 3.21 011581	3/2/2010	2.00	11.04		
DELINATOR13178	DELINATOR - ROUND APD	3/2/2010	2.00	1.30		
DETERGENT13195	DETERGENT-PRIMEROVER WASH/Purc	3/2/2010	11.50	26.22		
DISPOSAL0065	DISPOSAL OVERFALLS	3/2/2010	4.00	24.40		
DISTILLATE10980	DISTILLATE	3/2/2010	4.630	5.452	Distillate	8.1065
DISTILLATE19239	DISTILLATE AT BRNNAWAY	3/2/2010	1.047	1.277		
DISTILLATE275	DISTILLATE TRAIL275 1140LITRES	3/2/2010	30.94	36.20		
DISTILLATE277	DISTILLATE 277 2050LITR.969749	3/2/2010	16.00	20.16		
DISTILLATE278	DISTILLATE 2000LITRES J 967718	3/2/2010	6.00	7.02		
DISTILLATE279	DISTILLATE 2000LITRES J967711	3/2/2010	1.096	1.272		
DISTILLATE281	FUEL TRAILER 1220L MB1116	3/2/2010	25.80	26.32		
DISTILLATE283	FUEL TRAILER 8000lms K62434	3/2/2010	50.90	57.52		
DISTILLATE284	FUEL TRAILER K62432	3/2/2010	2.85	3.16		
DISTILLATE286	FUEL TRAILER K62432	3/2/2010	-54.81	-62.48		
DISTILLATE287	FUEL TRAILER MENDOORAN	3/2/2010	19.80	22.77		
DISTILLATE290	FUEL TANK ON P24 300 LITRE	3/2/2010	47.75	56.11		
DISTILLATE4060	DISTILLATE COOLAH	3/2/2010	69.00	81.42		
DRYLUBE13314	DISTILLATE DUNEDOO	3/2/2010	0.00	0.00		
DUST-S73955	Dust Spermol	3/2/2010	-1.00	-33.25		
ELBOW24130	ELBOW/COPPER 25X25MM YORKWAY	3/2/2010	1.00	2.38		
ELEMENT13451	ENGINE AIR FILTER/ELMER	3/2/2010	-1.00	-13.88		
ELEMENT13459	ELEMENT FILTER AIR CUT ELMER	3/2/2010	-1.00	-11.50		
ELEMENT13462	ELEMENT-FILTER-COIL 2P5500081 E331	3/2/2010	1.00	6.73		
ELEMENT13467	ELE 180716H/F60976511830D/R215	3/2/2010	-1.00	-21.54		
ELEMENT13468	ELEMENT FILTER OIL 180739P/S40C	3/2/2010	-2.00	-45.22		
ELEMENT13469	ELEMENT FILTER OIL 180739P/S40C	3/2/2010	1.00	15.04		
ELEMENT13552	ELEMENT INNER AIR P-05 000-185	3/2/2010	-2.00	-26.46		
ELEMENT13561	ELEMENT FILTER FUEL 11727 16	3/2/2010	5.00	36.33		
ELEMENT13566	ELEMENT FILTER FUEL 11727 16	3/2/2010	1.00	9.70		
ELEMENT13587	ELEMENT OIL 368561L/34453 160	3/2/2010	-1.00	-10.88		
ELEMENT13589	ELEMENT FILTER/VOL 118036	3/2/2010	-1.00	-102.21		
ELEMENT13601	ELEMENT FILTER 12A/MISSION AL	3/2/2010	-1.00	-108.97		
ELEMENT13642	ELEMENT FILTER AIR OUTER AL	3/2/2010	1.00	31.24		
ELEMENT13645	ELEMENT FILTER DIE/AM 10 0044F	3/2/2010	1.00	10.00		
ELEMENT13647	ELEMENT FILTER AIR 11210-ZE	3/2/2010	1.00	17.22		
ELEMENT13653	ELEMENT AIR R80-008/24-1853MP	3/2/2010	-1.00	-72.46		
ELEMENT13688	ELEMENT OUTER AIR SHAKERS-4832	3/2/2010	-1.00	-22.34		
ELEMENT13711	ELEMENT FILTER OIL-S-1824016	3/2/2010	-3.00	-25.20		
ELEMENT13807	FILE CHANSNAV 28 RD BLUNT 1.8	3/2/2010	3.00	11.79		
FILE13712	FILE CHANSNAV 4.0MM, STEEL 0	3/2/2010	-4.00	-7.60		
FILE13714	FILE CHANSNAV 4.0MM, STEEL 0	3/2/2010	1.00	2.20		
FILE13716	FILE CONTACT POINT 07052508	3/2/2010	1.00	3.86		
FILE13723	FILE FLAT SMOOTH 250MM 0705250	3/2/2010	-1.00	-13.84		
FITTING56022	FITTING-COPPER PIPE	3/2/2010	-5.00	-36.55		
FITTING56023	FITTING-PVC	3/2/2010	5.00	18.80		
FITTING14516	FITTING-CAMLOCK 3 FEMALE 035	3/2/2010	-1.00	-18.00		

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FITTING14519	FITTING AIR HOSE RYCO 203	3/3/2010	1.00	1.98		
FITTING14521	FITTING AIR HOSE RYCO 209A	3/3/2010	2.00	4.42		
FITTING14527	FITTING AIR HOSE F907 308SP	3/3/2010	-4.00	-50.12		
FITTING14528	FITTING AIR HOSE F908 308RS	3/3/2010	-2.00	-3.46		
FITTING14529	FITTING AIR HOSE F912 308BAR	3/3/2010	-2.00	-19.95		
FITTING14530	FITTING AIR HOSE F914 318 BS	3/3/2010	2.00	4.64		
FITTING14531	FITTING AIR HOSE F906A 318 B	3/3/2010	2.00	3.42		
GATE23506	GATE VALVE 20MM	3/3/2010	-10.00	-312.90		
GROUMMET15265	GROUMMET 6K148 FOR SCARIFIER P	3/3/2010	2.00	3.44		
GUIDE7052	GUIDE POST - STEEL	3/2/2010	2.00	27.86		
GUIDE7053	GUIDE POST-FL EXHIBLE	3/2/2010	2.00	192.00		
HAMMER15424	HAMMER CLUB SPALING/DUMPEY 1.5	3/2/2010	1.00	49.79		
HAND15490	HAND CLEANER KANGAROO 500ML	3/3/2010	-1.00	-39.78		
HAND15503	HANDLE AXE 07186406 0116002	3/3/2010	1.00	13.90		
HAND15512	HANDLE BROOM & RAKE NARROW	3/3/2010	-3.00	-12.80		
HAND15520	HANDLE HAMMER SLEDGE 30X29 FOR	3/3/2010	-1.00	-8.75		
HAND15521	HANDLE HAMMER SLEDGE 40X27 FOR	3/3/2010	-1.00	-7.00		
HAND15523	HANDLE HAMMER SLEDGE 40X32	3/3/2010	1.00	10.36		
HAND156051	HANDLE E-AXE	3/2/2010	-2.00	-33.90		
HAND156052	HANDLE E-BROOM/RAYE/FORK	3/2/2010	-2.00	-15.46		
HAT15645	HAT ROUGH RIDER BROWN/NEWCASLE	3/3/2010	-1.00	-16.72		
HAT56006	HATS - UNIFORM	3/2/2010	-2.00	-34.74		
HEADSTRAP17242	HEADSTRAPS SUNGLASSES MSA 225	3/3/2010	1.00	0.35		
HOOKSGRA18655	HOOKS-GRAH 1/4	3/3/2010	-1.00	-4.95		
HOSEH1322	HOSE HYDRAULIC	3/2/2010	73.00	1,144.31		
INSECT15120	INSECT REPELLENT	3/3/2010	-3.00	-24.93		
JACKET15142	JACKET STORMSTOPPER SIZE S	3/2/2010	-1.00	-60.15		
JUMPER89374	JUMPER WORK	3/2/2010	1.00	35.67		
LEVEL15798	LEVEL FLASHING ROADSIDE LAMP	3/3/2010	6.00	127.02		
LANTERN15111	LANTERN FLASHING	3/3/2010	-1.00	-36.81		
LIGHTS300450	LIGHTS - FLUORO TUBE 18 WATT	3/3/2010	-13.00	-209.95		
LIGHTS300450	LIGHTS - FLUORO TUBE 18 WATT	3/3/2010	-2.00	-8.90		
LIPBALM15938	METER WATER 25MM CREVELT 57291	3/2/2010	3.00	8.07		
METER2029	NAILS BULLET HEAD BRIGHT 50X21	3/3/2010	-5.00	-720.10		
NAIL S15060	NAILS - 50MM X 2	3/3/2010	0.50	1.30		
NAIL S15081	NAILS BULLET HEAD BRIGHT 50X21	3/3/2010	2.50	5.98		
NAIL S15082	NAILS - 50MM X 2	3/3/2010	0.25	0.54		
NAIL S15093	NAILS BULLET HEAD BRIGHT 60X3	3/3/2010	1.50	4.50		
NIPPLE24013	NIPPLE HEXAGON BRASS 20MM 03:	3/3/2010	-1.00	-1.55		
NUT15091	NUT HEX 1 UNC	3/3/2010	-3.00	-0.50		
NUT15099	NUT 5/8 INCH RSM NYLOC	3/3/2010	2.00	0.24		
NUT16023	NUT HEX 1/2 UNF NYLOC 029081	3/3/2010	-4.00	-0.68		
NUT16023	NUT NYLOC 3/8 UNF	3/3/2010	5.00	0.20		
OIL15914	OIL SUPER DIESEL 15W40 1 LTR	3/3/2010	-1.00	-40.86		
OIL19475	OIL AT DEKON 20LTR	3/3/2010	-2.00	-134.10		
OIL65613	TWO STROKE ENGINE OIL	3/2/2010	4.00	17.92		
OIL65613	CHANGSAMI BAO	3/3/2010	1.00	2.76		
OVERBALL15026	OVERBALL MEN DISPOSABLE PROTEC	3/3/2010	-7.00	-26.95		
OVERBALL15041	OVERBALL DISPOSABLE SIZE L UTSP	3/3/2010	1.00	12.63		
PADLOCK16216	PADLOCK 30MM BRASS	3/3/2010	3.00	16.50		
PAINT16278	PAINT SURFEL MARKING WHITE	3/3/2010	-6.00	-28.26		
PAINT16281	PAINT SURFEL MARKING YELLOW	3/3/2010	5.00	23.35		
PAINT16283	PAINT SURFEL MARKING BLACK	3/3/2010	-3.00	-13.17		
PAINT16290	PAINT FRESHURE PAOK	3/2/2010	4.00	36.72		
PAPER18220	PAPER ABRASIVE 230X280MM WET/D	3/3/2010	-1.00	-1.00		
PAPER18221	PAPER ABRASIVE 230X280MM WET/D	3/3/2010	12.00	7.44		

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PAPER16223	PAPER ABRASIVE 230X290MM1MET/D	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.45	
PAPER16225	PAPER TOWEL IN ROLLS OSTROR 85	3/3/2010	2.00	4.24	
PAPER16229	PAPER TOWEL IN TERLEAF K 4440D	3/3/2010	-1.00	-28.76	
PAVE169355	SAMI PAVEFIX	3/3/2010	-1.00	-57.91	
PEGS 16429	PEGS 50x60 DUMPY	3/3/2010	-26.00	-81.20	
PEGS 16435	PEGS - FENCE STAKES	3/3/2010	6.00	22.80	
PEGS56025	PEGS SURVEY 50x25x45	3/3/2010	-26.00	-41.50	
PIECES29001	PIECE REDUCING BRASS YORKWAYNO	3/3/2010	10.00	43.80	
PLERS66680	PLERS INC SIDECUTTERS ETOX	3/3/2010	-2.00	-47.08	
PLUG16821	PLUG SPARKING BOSCH FREDDY	3/3/2010	1.00	2.80	
PLUG16823	PLUG SPARKING BOSCH FREDDY	3/3/2010	1.00	2.47	
PLUG16826	PLUG SPARK HONDA KOMERS	3/3/2010	2.00	5.92	
PLUG16829	PLUG SPARKING BOSCH WSPF CH	3/3/2010	-1.00	-2.13	
PLUG16831	PLUG SPARKING NGK BRM974	3/3/2010	3.00	8.55	
PLUG16836	PLUG SPARKING CHAMPION J6C	3/3/2010	1.00	2.48	
PLUG16840	PLUG 7 PIN FLAT TRAILER BRTA	3/3/2010	1.00	9.26	
POP96154	POP RIVET GUN	3/3/2010	1.00	21.67	
POST166150	POST-FENCE STEEL	3/3/2010	4.00	0.00	
RAMSET19657	RAMSET GUN	3/3/2010	1.00	0.01	
RASP17060	RASP WOOD 150MM 0708 4096	3/3/2010	1.00	22.45	
ROLLER17195	ROLLER PAINT REGULAR MAP 611.2	3/3/2010	-1.00	-12.38	
SCOLPER17368	SCOURER GREEN04398130C911170	3/3/2010	5.00	6.60	
SCRAPER17350	SCRAPER 0910146	3/3/2010	1.00	2.29	
SCREWDRIVE19663	SCREWDRIVERS - EX TOOLS AT STO	3/3/2010	4.00	39.72	
SELENSER123595	SELF INSERT ELBOWS 20MM	3/3/2010	-1.00	-10.97	
SHAMP0012630	SHAMP00CONDITIONER 24L-1.086	3/3/2010	1.00	5.21	
SHIFTER19693	SHIFTER ADJUSTABLE 200MM CHROME	3/3/2010	2.00	22.50	
SHIFTER19694	SHIFTE ADJUSTABLE 200MM CHROME	3/3/2010	3.00	38.28	
SHIRT15096	SHIRT 100% COT LUS YELGR XXL	3/3/2010	-2.00	-58.76	
SHIRT15103	SHIRT 100% COT LUS YELGR XXL	3/3/2010	1.00	24.09	
SHIRT15144	SHIRT HWS GREEN/YELLOW 2XL	3/3/2010	-2.00	-74.10	
SHIRT569372	SHIRTS-WORK	3/3/2010	-5.00	-109.55	
SOCKET18222	SOCKET 15/16	3/3/2010	2.00	25.80	
SPONGE18300	SPONGE CAR 0231 2092	3/3/2010	1.00	1.53	
SPRAY12833	SPRAY BOTTLE 50ML OVENGRILL	3/3/2010	1.00	2.69	
STARTER300463	STARTER FLURO SID 468V	3/3/2010	1.00	0.81	
STRIP16480	STRIP DRESSING MEDICAL 60X1	3/3/2010	1.00	2.54	
TAPE 8550	TAPE MASKING 48MM X 50L	3/3/2010	-3.00	-11.55	
TAPE 8554	TAPE MEASURE 6m X 25mm STANLEY	3/3/2010	1.00	12.69	
TIN19682	TIN SNIPS WSS AVANTION STRAIG	3/3/2010	1.00	28.37	
TINSN70040	TIN SNIPS	3/3/2010	-1.00	-52.70	
TROUSERS12694	TROUSERS MET WEATHER 3XL	3/3/2010	-1.00	-16.78	
TROUSERS12696	TROUSERS MET WEATHER 3XL	3/3/2010	1.00	16.15	
TROUSERS12697	TROUSERS MET WEATHER SZ L	3/3/2010	1.00	16.01	
TROUSERS12699	TROUSERS MET WEATHER SZ 2XL	3/3/2010	-1.00	-12.94	
TROUSERS70181	TROUSERS-WORK	3/3/2010	-27.00	-635.56	
TUBE500462	TUBE ELBO 8X1/8" BUNTS SYLVANIA	3/3/2010	-1.00	-2.60	Unleaded
UNLEADED6033	UNLEADED COOLAH	3/3/2010	-1,216.50	-1,459.80	6,205.20
UNLEADED6070	UNLEADED NEWDEBOT	3/3/2010	7,761.60	9,313.92	7,463.24
UNLEADED6803	UNLEADED DUNDELOO	3/3/2010	-359.80	-360.88	Washers
WASHER18784	WASHER 880MM HIGH TENSILE G	3/3/2010	-1.00	-0.55	31.00
WASHER18789	WASHER FLAT 516 H18	3/3/2010	12.00	0.48	
WASHER18790	WASHER FLAT 318 H18 00380885	3/3/2010	2.00	0.10	
WASHER18791	WASHER FLAT 716 H18	3/3/2010	-2.00	-0.16	
WASHER18797	WASHER FLAT 1118	3/3/2010	3.00	3.00	
WASHER18798	WASHER FLAT 1112 X 7/8 GALV	3/3/2010	5.00	2.35	

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Stock No.	Description	Date	Add Qty	Value	Aggregated Qty	Aggregated Qty
WASHER18790	WASHER SPRING, 1/4	3/3/2010	5.00	0.05		
WASHER18792	WASHER SPRING, 3/8	3/3/2010	19.00	2.35		
WASHER18793	WASHER SPRING, 7/16	3/3/2010	15.00	0.75		
WASHER18794	WASHER SPRING, 1/2	3/3/2010	10.00	2.08		
WASHER18797	WASHER SPRING, 3/4	3/3/2010	16.00	-13.92		
WASHER18798	WASHER SPRING, 7/8	3/3/2010	7.00	1.05		
WASHER18799	WASHER SPRING, 1	3/3/2010	2.00	0.24		
WASHER18850	WASHERS - FLAT, 7/8	3/3/2010	2.00	-0.80		
WASHERS18780	WASHERS - MOWER BLADES	3/3/2010	-14.00	-8.10		
WEDGE18800	WEDGE AXE HANDLE, 07303506	3/3/2010	1.00	1.03		
WEDGE18810	WEDGE HAMMER HANDLE, 07304409	3/3/2010	-3.00	-6.31		
WHEEL18601	WHEEL DEPRESSED CENTRE GRINDIN	3/3/2010	2.00	7.70		
WHEEL18606	WHEEL METAL CUTTING-OFF, 230X2	3/3/2010	1.00	2.84		
WHEEL18607	WHEEL METAL CUTTING-OFF, 152X2	3/3/2010	6.00	9.90		
	WHEEL MASONRY CUT-OFF, 125X3 2X	3/3/2010				
			13,243.18	14,575.35		

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CAROLYN UPSTON
DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

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Mr R J Geraghty
General Manager
Warrumbungle Shire Council
John Street
COONABARABRAN 2357

Dear Sir

Attached is my report for consideration by Council

DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

ANNEXURE 3

3.1 PROPOSAL TO RENAME TIMOR STREET TO TIMOR LANE – RESPONSE FROM GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES BOARD

Background

At the meeting on the 15 April 2010, Council considered a proposal to rename Timor Street as Little Timor Street. The purpose of renaming Timor Street is to gain approval from the Geographical Names Board to change John Renshaw Parkway to Timor Road. The report outlined the consultation that occurred regarding the proposal and the results of a survey. The report also considered a proposal to rename a section of Timor Street between Neate Street and Ulamambri Street with a completely different name because this section is isolated from the rest of Timor Street (see attachment 1.0).

Council resolved in the following way:

356 RESOLVED that Council further proceeds with the proposal to gazette the name of Timor Road between Eden Street and the boundary of Warrumbungles National Park. and that Council consult with the Geographical Names Board regarding the possibility of changing the name of Timor Street to Timor Lane.

*Schmidt/Dissanayake
The motion was carried*

An application to rename Timor Street as Timor Lane, in order to change the name of John Renshaw Parkway, was submitted to the GNB. The proposal was rejected by the GNB and they referred to previous correspondence giving approval to include a prefix in front of Timor Street such as Little Timor Street. The GNB advise that Council may appeal the decision by referring the matter to the Minister for Roads. A copy of relevant correspondence has been forwarded to Councillors under separate cover.

Issues

The number of objections received from property owners to the proposed change of name from Timor Street to Little Timor Street is 14, while the number of property owners in agreement with the proposal is 12. The number of Timor Street property owners who have not responded is 22.

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Most property owners objecting to the proposed change from Timor Street to Little Timor Street do so because they will need to change personal details about their property address. Also, affected businesses will need to change their address on stationary and advertising. There are six properties in Timor Street that run a business operation and three of these properties have objected to the proposed road name change.

Options

Council has discretion in relation to the proposal to change the name of Timor Street to Little Timor Street.

Council also has discretion in relation to referring the matter to the Minister for Roads. Apparently, there are relatively few appeals considered by the Minister and even fewer successful appeals.

Financial Considerations

The administrative process associated with naming Timor Road and any changes to Timor Street is not expected to be a significant impact upon existing budget allocations.

RECOMMENDATION

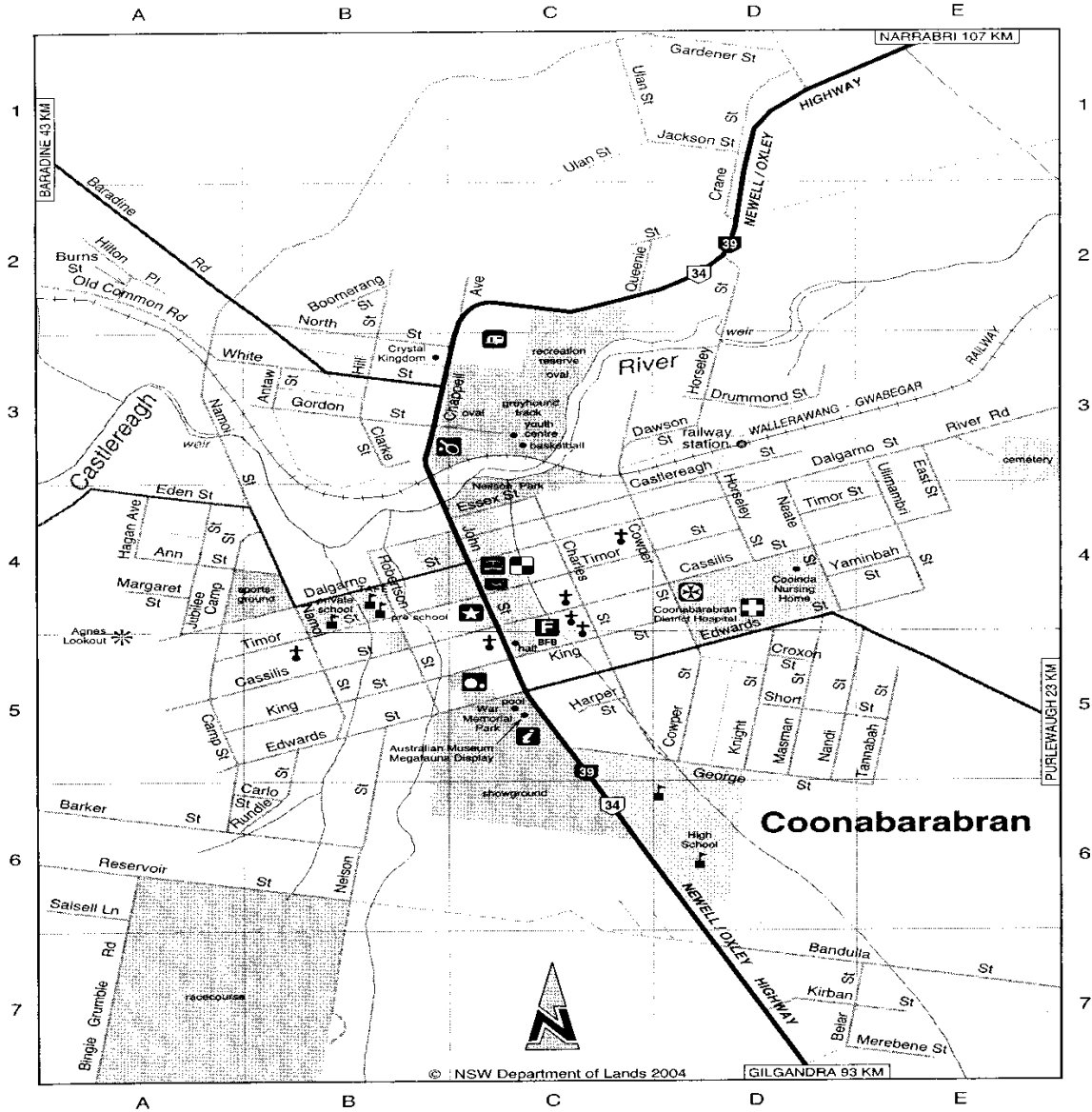
1. That Council proceeds with the proposal to gazette the name of Timor Road between Eden Street and the boundary of Warrumbungles National Park.
2. That Council proceeds with the proposal to rename Timor Street as Little Timor Street.

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Attachment 1.0 – Coonabarabran Town Streets.



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3.2 DIGILAH ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT – EXISTING GRIDS

Background

Council will be aware that funds have been allocated for a project on Digilah Road in the 2009/10 budget as well as in the draft 2010/11 budget. The purpose of the project is to construct and bitumen seal a section of the road to link two sections of existing seal, that is, to seal the gap. The gap is approximately 2.4km in length and is characterized by a sharp crest, three substantial drainage issues, heavy vegetation on a narrow road and substandard horizontal alignment. The gap is also characterized by a stock grid at either end of the road section.

Council has a policy which requires notice to be served on adjoining landholders to remove cattle grids from the road if the road is programmed for bitumen sealing. Such a policy recognizes the fact that road speeds on sealed roads are generally faster and that stock grids represent an obstruction on the roadway and as such they are a safety hazard. Furthermore, there is no restriction on stock grazing inside the grids, which increases night time hazards on the road.

Council is being asked to interpret the policy in relation to the particular set of circumstances and issues surrounding the Digilah Road project. A copy of the policy has been forwarded to Councillors under separate cover.

Issues

The land adjoining Digilah Road between the two stock grids forms part of the property 'Glengarry'. The northern stock grid is on the property boundary between 'Glengarry' and 'Oranmore'. The southern stock grid is wholly within the property 'Glengarry'. Council's project to seal the road commences at the southern end and hence, removal of the southern grid is necessary in order to comply with Council's policy.

Discussions have been held with the owner of 'Glengarry' regarding the need to remove the southern grid and fence out the road before it is bitumen sealed. However, the terrain and vegetation make the task of fencing out the road very difficult, furthermore the existing watering point for stock is on the eastern side of the road. Glengarry has put the following proposal to Council regarding sharing the costs of fencing out the road.

- Council to supply and erect fencing
- Glengarry would lose approximately 7 hectares of land if the road is fenced. (to date, the issue of compensation for losing direct access to this land has not been discussed).
- Glengarry would supply and install approximately 1.3km of pipe for stock watering.
- Glengarry would plant trees to recover shade area lost if the road is fenced out.

The existing grid on the southern end is not on the proposed alignment for the road. That is, if the road is not fenced out, the southern grid must be relocated. No discussions have taken place regarding sharing costs of relocating the southern grid.

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As mentioned, the road north of the northern grid is already bitumen sealed. The property on both the eastern side and western side of the road forms part of the property called 'Oranmore'. Hence, Council may be faced with the situation where the southern grid is removed and the road fenced out, yet the northern grid will remain in place until Oranmore is directed to fence out the adjoining road.

Options

It appears that there are three options available to Council;

- Direct the owner of Glengarry to remove the southern ramp and fence out the road. Negotiations over such a directive are likely to be protracted and there will still be a ramp in place at the northern end of the current project.
- Complete construction of the road without sealing the surface. This situation will meet Council's policy expectations if the road is not fenced out. However, Council's expectations in relation to a sealed road will not be met. Furthermore, the existing southern ramp must be relocated to fit in with the new road alignment.
- Enter into an agreement with the owner of Glengarry regarding sharing of the costs associated with fencing out the road.

Financial Considerations

The budget allocation for the Digilah Road project in 2009/10 is \$200,000. Roadworks have commenced on a 1.3 km section and year to date expenditure is \$130,000. The cost to complete the 1.3km section is estimated to be \$240,000.

The allocation in draft 2010/11 budget is also \$200,000. The design for the remaining 1.1km is yet to be finalised and hence the estimated cost to complete the project is yet to be finalised, however it is expected to be within the remaining allocation of \$160,000.

The cost of installing necessary fencing within Glengarry is estimated to be \$22,000. The cost of installing a water pipe is estimated to be \$9,000. These estimates have been provided by the owner of Glengarry and copy of his proposal has been forwarded to Councillors under separate cover.

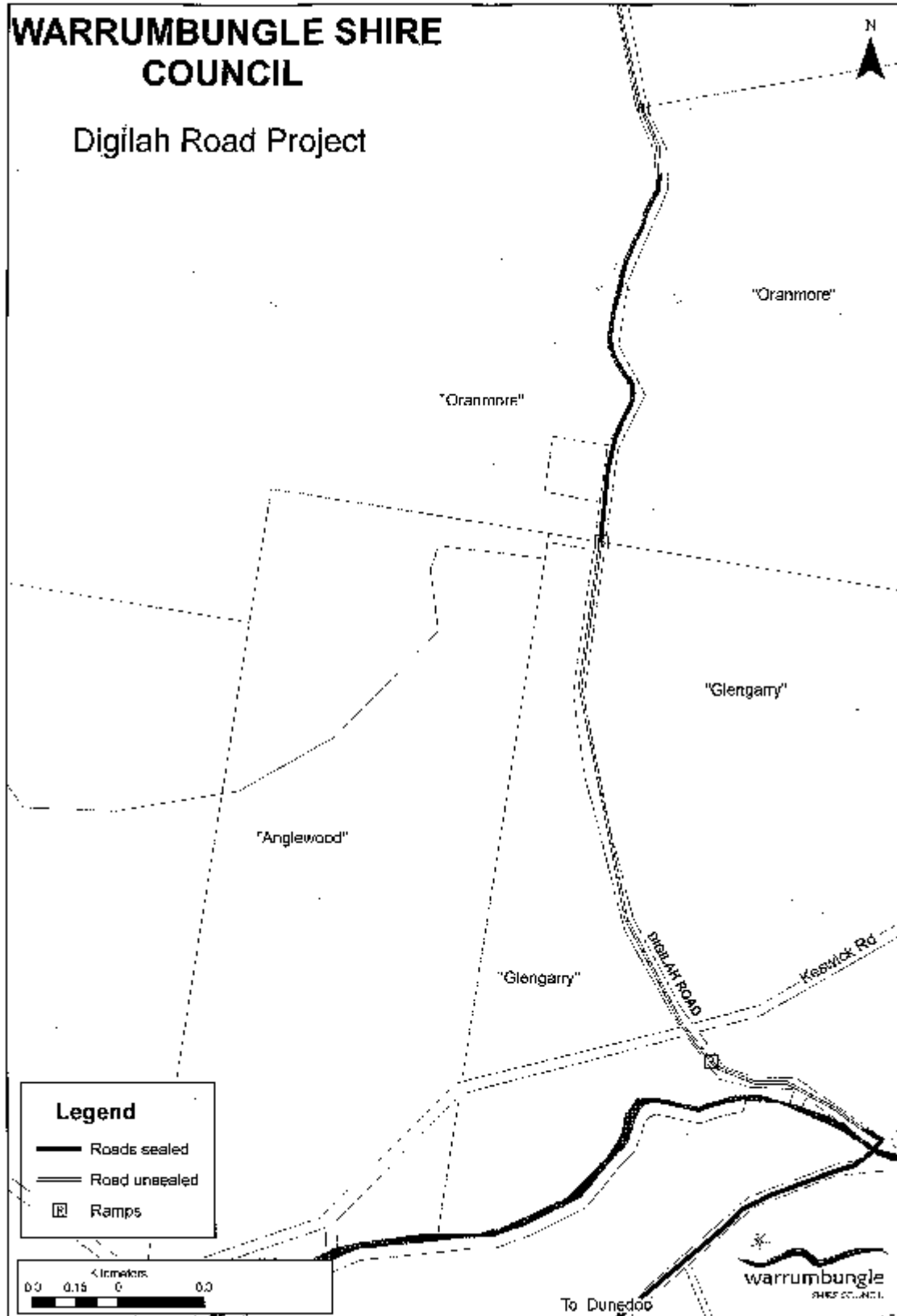
RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the owner of the property 'Glengarry' is directed to remove the southern ramp on the current roadworks project on Digilah Road and to erect a fence on both sides of the Digilah Road between the southern ramp and the northern ramp.
2. That Council provides funding to erect the fence between the two existing ramps, to an upper limit of \$22,000 (incl GST) subject to the following conditions;
 - a. No compensation is sought by Glengarry for land that becomes inaccessible because of the fencing.
 - b. Glengarry is entirely responsible for installation of water pipe and stock watering equipment.

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3.3 REVIEW OF UNSEALED ROAD MAINTENANCE

Background

On the 20 May 2010 Council resolved to investigate the cost of maintaining unsealed roads and whether or not current budget allocations are sufficient to meet expected outcomes. A review of maintenance and expenditure on local unsealed roads was undertaken in the Coonabarabran Shire in December 2000 and was reviewed in 2004. Following amalgamations a further report was put to Council in February 2006 which categorized roads in the former Coolah Shire and a budget was calculated using previous frequencies and unit rates.

An analysis of information on works completed since that time highlights the following issues in regard to both maintenance grading and gravel resheeting:-

1. Issues – Maintenance Grading

Maintenance grading was originally calculated allowing for the completion of 3kms of grading/day. This is currently being completed on average at 2kms/day with many roads requiring ripping, and access to water often in excess of 10kms.

- Cost per day for maintenance grading crew in 2004 - \$1200.
- Cost per day for maintenance grading crew in 2010 - \$2500.

Clearly an increase in costs and decrease in achievable output since the first report will require adjustment to the budget for maintenance on unsealed roads or an adjustment to the level of service as detailed in the original report.

Existing level of service – Maintenance Grading – Unsealed Roads

Table 1.1

Category	Length	Frequency	Maintenance grading/year*	Cost
1	533.5	2.0	1067	\$1 333 750
2	569	1.0	569	\$ 711 250
3	432	0.5	216	\$ 270 000
Total			1852	\$2 315 000

* Based on daily production of 2km

Based on daily costs \$2500, therefore cost/km = \$1250

Proposed level of service – Option 1 – Maintenance grading – Unsealed roads

Table 1.2

Category	Length	Frequency	Maintenance grading/year	Cost
1	533.5	1.0	533.5	\$ 666 875
2	569	1.0	569	\$ 711 250
3	432	0.5	216	\$ 270 000
Total			1318.5	\$1 648 125

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Proposed level of service – Option 2 – Maintenance Grading – Unsealed Roads

Table 1.3

Category	Length	Frequency	Maintenance grading/year	Cost
1	533.5	1.0	533.5	\$ 666 875
2	569	0.5	284.5	\$ 355 625
3	432	0.3	144	\$ 180 000
Reactive maintenance not scheduled				\$ 47 500
Total				\$1 250 500

Proposed level of service - Option 3 – Maintenance grading – Unsealed roads

Table 1.4

Category	Length	Frequency	Maintenance grading/year	Cost
1	533.5	1.0	533.5	\$ 666 875
2	569	0.5	284.5	\$ 355 625
<i>Reactive only – no scheduled maintenance on Category 3 Roads</i>				\$ 227 500
Total				\$1 250 000

Financial – Maintenance Grading

Existing levels of service would require a budget increase of \$1 065 000.

Option 1 would require an increase in the maintenance grading budget of \$398 125

Option 2 would require no increase and

Option 3 would require no increase.

Options 1 & 2 provide for scheduled grading only and allow for no reactive maintenance. Any maintenance completed on washouts or corrugated sections on bends will need to be funded from this budget meaning frequencies won't be achieved.

Option 3 allows for reduced frequencies on all categories of road, with category 3 roads having reactive maintenance only. Option 3 is currently funded in the 2010/2011 budget and would require no increase.

2. Issues – Gravel Resheeting

Gravel resheeting costs were based on daily production of 700 metres at \$6000 per day, while 700 metres is proving achievable with carts of under 10km, 600m/day is closer to the average across the entire program, for 2010 given that some carts exceeded 22 kilometres.

\$6000 per day has increased due to a number of factors. Prior to 2000 Coonabarabran Shire employed a bulldozer to rip approximately 20% of the pits required for gravel resheeting. In the 2009/2010 gravel program 11 out of the 15 pits utilized had to be ripped, and the pit on the Forest Road, Coolah was to be ripped and crushed. The requirement to rip 75% of pits used in 09/10 added \$10 000 on average to each of the

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resheeting jobs. As gravel pit supplies decrease the ripping and/or crushing requirement will increase along with average daily costs.

Cost per day for gravel resheeting 2004 - \$6,000

Cost per day for gravel resheeting 2010 - \$7,500 (dozer incl)

Financial – Gravel Resheeting

The budget for 2010/2011 gravel resheeting program is \$743,240. Utilizing rates established in 2000, this amount would allow gravel resheeting of approximately 89 kms.

Under current conditions and with average production of 700 metres, this year's budget amount will resheet approx 70kms.

Table 2.1

Category	Length	Annual Frequency Gravel Resheeting (years)*	Length of Gravel Resheeting (km/yr)
1	533.5	16	33
2	569	21	27
3	432	43.2	10
Total			70 kms

* Calculated on annual funding of \$750,000.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council's information.

3.4 PROPOSED COMPULSORY ACQUISITION – PART LOT 10 IN DP258242 (STANNIX PARK)

Background

Council will be aware of the road access issues in the Stannix Park subdivision and a number of reports have been presented to Council. More recently, Council considered reports on the issue on the 17 August 2006, 12 September 2006 & 21 June 2007. A copy of these reports has been sent to Councillors under separate cover.

Council resolved to acquire a strip of land 10m wide by 871m long on the eastern boundary of Lot 10 in the Stannix Park Subdivision. The process of acquiring the land involves many steps including the following;

- Preparation of a plan of acquisition by a registered surveyor
- Lodgment of the plan with Land & Property Information to obtain a lot a registration number.
- Council resolution with specific reference to lot identification number
- Application to the Minister for approval to acquire the land

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- Issuing of notice to the property owner together with claim for compensation form.
- Advice to the Valuer - General.
- Gazettal of the acquisition.

The survey plan has been completed and Council's solicitor for this matter has advised that the plan has been registered. The registration number used to describe the land is Lot 101 DP1152059. A copy of the survey plan is included in this report as attachment 1.0.

For the purposes of making application to the Minister, Council is now required to make a formal resolution in a prescribed format.

Issues

Council resolved to acquire the land by a process of compulsory acquisition after negotiations with the owner failed to reach a satisfactory outcome in relation to purchase price.

Options

Council must make a formal resolution in the prescribed format to satisfy the requirements of the compulsory acquisition process.

Financial Considerations

Council has included sufficient funds in the current budget to meet expected costs associated with the process of compulsorily acquiring the land.

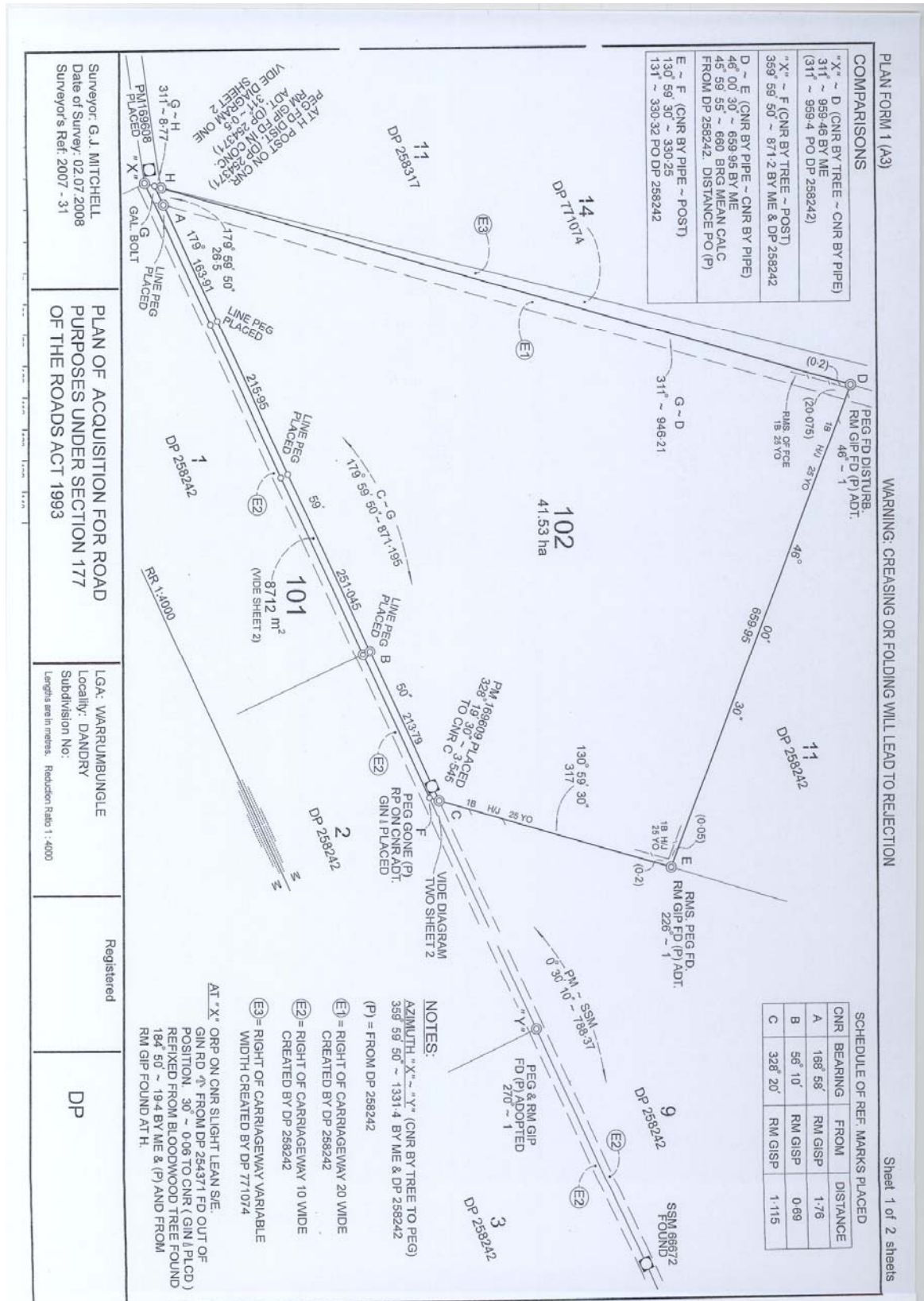
RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council acquire by compulsory acquisition the land described as Lot 101 in Deposited Plan 1152059 under section 178 of the Roads Act 1993 for Road Construction and Dedication.
2. That Council applies to the Minister and/or Governor for approval to acquire the subject land by compulsorily process under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms) Compensation Act 1991.
3. That all minerals are to be excluded from the compulsory acquisition of the subject land.
4. That upon acquisition, the subject land be classified operational land.
5. That any necessary documentation be executed under the common seal of Council.

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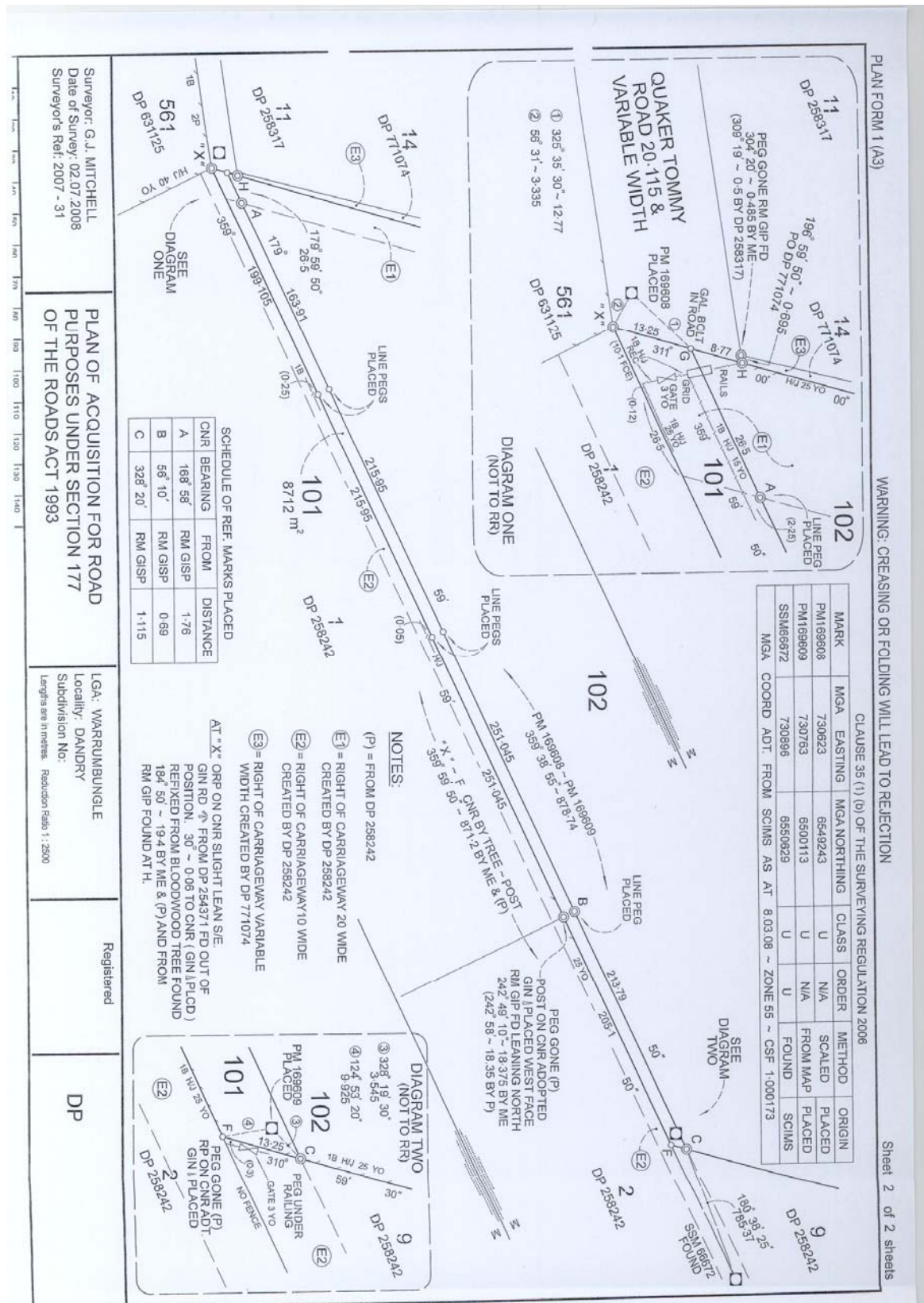
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KEVIN TIGHE
DIRECTOR TECHNICAL SERVICES

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Mr R J Geraghty
General Manager
Warrumbungle Shire Council
John Street
COONABARABRAN 2357

Dear Sir

Attached is my report for consideration by Council

DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES ANNEXURE 4

4.1 RACECOURSE ROAD

At its December 2009 meeting Council received an address by Mrs Dowsett regarding her request to re-name the first section of Bingie Grumble Rd to the end of the racecourse to its "historical name" of Racecourse Rd. Mrs Dowsett had written to Council in March 2009 advising that she wished her road name to be changed back to Racecourse Rd as it had always been and that Bingie Grumble Rd commence at the Weekes property entrance as it always had. The Director of Technical Services replied to Mrs Dowsett on the 24th March 2009 advising that the official name of the road in front of her property had always been Bingie Grumble Rd and that the sign Racecourse Rd was removed many years ago when it was realized that the official name was in fact Bingie Grumble Rd. It was also highlighted that the Geographical Names Board prohibited a road from having more than one name.

Mrs Dowsett appeared to be unhappy with her response from Council and again wrote a very similar letter to Council on the 10th December 2009. At the January 2010 Council meeting Council resolved "That Council advise Mrs Dowsett that it is not prepared to change part of Bingie Grumble Rd to Racecourse Rd to the town boundary as requested and that she should use the correct road name registered with the Geographical Names Board for all deliveries and emergency services, being Bingie Grumble Rd and further that Council's rates database be amended to alter any property addresses describing the road as Racecourse Rd to the correct name of Bingie Grumble Rd."

At a subsequent Council meeting Mrs Dowsett again made a plea for Council to change the name of her section of road in the public forum section of the meeting. In view of the distress this issue is causing Mrs Dowsett further contact with the Geographical Names Board (GNB) has been instituted and they have advised that whilst they did not support the concept, it was possible to change the road name of a road at the intersection with John Ward Place.

A letter was sent to the residents of Bingie Grumble Road between Reservoir Street and John Ward Place on 17 May 2010. Of the eleven (11) residents notified four (4) responded and all four (4) requested that the name be changed to Racecourse Road.

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In NSW, the Geographical Names Board (GNB) is required to be notified of all road naming proposals. The Surveyor General and/or the Registrar General can also object to any road naming proposal. When a road naming authority wishes to name an un-named road or rename a previously named road they must follow the process outlined in the Roads (General) Regulation 2000. This regulation requires the authority to:

- publish notice of its proposal in a local newspaper
- serve notice of its proposal on Australia Post, the Registrar General and Surveyor General (through the Land and Property Management Authority) and, in the case of a classified road, on the RTA.

This notice must state that written submissions on the proposed name may be made to the roads authority and must specify the address to which, and the date by which, any such submissions should be made. If, after consideration, the roads authority decides to proceed with the proposed name, the roads authority shall:

- publish notice of the new name in the NSW Government Gazette and in a local newspaper.
- inform Australia Post, the Registrar General, Surveyor General and, in the case of a classified road, the RTA of the new name, giving sufficient particulars to enable the road to be identified.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council commences the process required to change the name of the portion of Bingie Grumble Rd from the intersection of Reservoir Street to the intersection of John Ward Place and write to all effected residents fronting that portion of road.
2. Should the relevant public authorities raise objection with the proposal Council take no further action in relation to this road naming issue.

4.2 PROGRESS OF WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE STRATEGY AND NEW LEP

Council is aware of the problems being experienced in completing the above project and the long running history of delays and lack of performance by the contractors engaged to complete the project on Council's behalf.

Council has had significant issues with the consultants again following a meeting with the consultants and the departments representatives at Coonabarabran on the 18 November 2009, wherein expected deadlines were again missed and communication with the consultants has proved very difficult with no reply to emails and phone calls from Council's planning staff. The manner in which the consultant progressed the project led to Council's general manager notifying Andrews Neil P/L on the 28 May 2010 that

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Council was terminating the contract for the reasons described in the letter (copy attached) and requested the return to Council of all current documents in usable formatting so that another consultant could take over the project.

Council did receive a reply from Andrews Neil P/L dated the 8 June 2010 (copy attached) and copies of the documents as requested were returned to Council.

Council staff has been in contact with a consultant with a history of achieving the adoption of a growth management strategy to a standard acceptable to the Department of Planning and that consultant is in the process of clarifying the extent of works required to complete the project to enable a quotation to be provided to Council.

Once Council's additional costs are quantified a further report will be presented to Council so that funding for the completion of the project can be finalized and a legal opinion can be received from specialist solicitors as to whether Council would be successful in a claim for damages against Andrews Neil P/L and the likely extent of the damages.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council notes the termination of the contract between Warrumbungle Shire Council and Andrews Neil P/L effective on the 28 May 2010.
2. That once the amount required to complete the project is quantified a legal opinion is sought regarding Council being awarded damages from Andrews Neil P/L and the matter reported to a future Council meeting for resolution.

4.3 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY BACK FROM REGIONAL PLANNING PANELS

The current government introduced the concept of expert panels at regional levels to remove Council as the determining authority for significant development applications received such as all designated developments, developments with a capital value of more than \$10 million & public authority and council's own applications which are valued over \$5 million. The new panels were to comprise of three state appointed "experts" and two local representatives and the concept required Councillors to be removed as the determining body and replaced by the panel.

Various media reports have indicated that the aim of the panels in speeding up development assessment time frames by de-politicizing the approval process has not eventuated and the government is reviewing the system. Council has received written advice from the Minister for Planning Tony Kelly MLC requesting that Council advise whether Council would be prepared to accept delegation back which allowed senior staff to determine certain applications instead of the JRPP or Councillors.

The proposal would involve Council senior Staff (ie General Manager or Director Environmental Services) being delegated authority by Council and the JRPP to determine (approve or refuse) the following applications for a twelve month trial:

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1. All straightforward applications where there have been no objections received, and the assessment report (prepared by Council staff) recommends approval (either with or without conditions). The delegation will not apply to applications where the panel chair advises council in advance that the delegation will not apply to a particular application.
2. Designated Development where the development has a capital value of \$5 million or less, which is currently determined by the JRPP. The delegation would apply regardless of whether there have been objections received, provided the assessment report recommends approval. The delegation will not apply to applications where the panel chair advises council in advance that the delegation will not apply to a particular application.

In effect the changes will mean that Council staff and not Councillors or the JRPP will have the power to approve or refuse applications which may be the subject of intense public objection such as a proposed piggery which is designated development. It is unclear what the process would be if the staff member decides that he/she will not use the delegation and determine an application and whether such applications then reverts to the JRPP for determination.

The changes proposed will not return local Councillors as the determining body in line with the governments push to de-politicize determinations by giving authority to senior Council staff. In view of the fact that the Planning Director would be involved in staff assessment reports that would be considered, it is not considered appropriate that that person be delegated authority to determine applications of this nature. The logical officer to receive the delegation is the General Manager or the person acting in that role on a temporary basis.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council advise the Minister for Planning Tony Kelly MLC that it is prepared to accept the limited delegated authority referred from the Joint Regional Planning panel for Senior staff to determine development applications and that authority be delegated to the position of General Manager.

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4.4 DA 84/0910 PROPOSED 10 LOT SUBDIVISION LOT 83 DP 755523 MAROO RD PURLEWAUGH

ADDRESS: Lot: 83 DP: 755523
Lot 83, Maroo Rd, Purlewaugh

APPLICATION No: 128/0910

PROPOSAL: Subdivision of one (1) lot into five(5)

OWNER: Johannes Van der Walt

APPLICANT: Johannes Van der Walt

DATE LODGED: 7 May 2010

DATE OF REPORT: 15 June 2010

SUMMARY

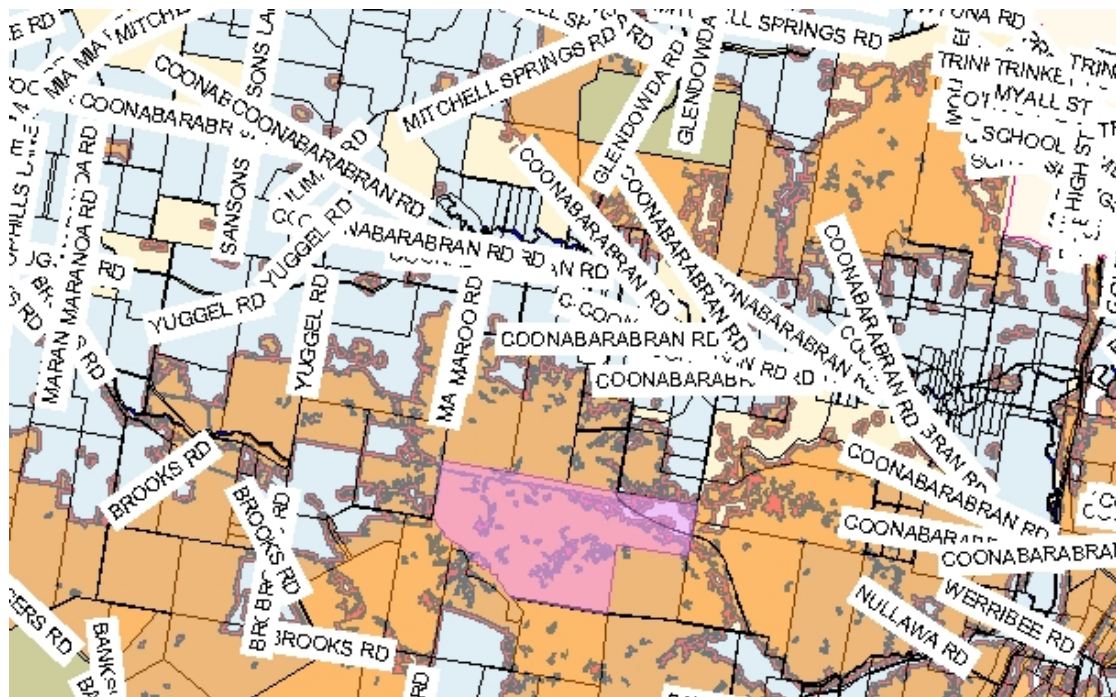
ISSUES: Bushfire Prone, Electricity

SUBMISSIONS: Two (2)

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

ATTACHMENTS: Appendix 1 – Conditions of Consent
Appendix 2 – Subdivision Plan
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LOCALITY MAP



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Description of Proposal

The application is for the subdivision of one (1) lot into five (5) green eco lots. The lots are proposed to have an area of 402.92ha each. The property is serviced by Maroo Road, Purlawaugh and a road within the subdivision is proposed, which will be dedicated to Council. The property is identified as being bushfire prone land and containing environmentally sensitive land.

Statutory Controls

Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979

State Environmental Planning Policy (Rural Lands) 2008

Coonabarabran Local Environmental Plan 1990

- Zoning – Rural 1 (b), Environmentally Sensitive Land
- S94 Contributions
- Integrated Development

Policy Controls

Coonabarabran Section 94 Contributions Plan

Description of Locality

The subject site is identified as Lot 83 in DP 755523, “Umtali” Maroo Road, Purlawaugh. The site is located south of the Purlawaugh Road on the eastern side of Maroo Road. The subject site consists of thick natural bushland.

Relevant History

An application for the subdivision of one (1) lot into ten (10) was lodged with Council on 18 January 2010. It went to the April Council meeting and was refused. The reasons for refusal were:

1. The proposal is inconsistent with State Environmental Planning Policy (Rural Lands) 2008 as the location of the subject site is not appropriate for the proposed development, the proposal is considered to be rural land fragmentation and could result in land use conflicts with existing traditional development in the locality.

2. Inconsistent with Coonabarabran Local Environmental Plan 1990 as the subject site is Environmentally Sensitive Land, is inconsistent with existing land use in the vicinity and is not appropriate given the distance from services of the subject site.

The current application was lodged with Council on 7 May 2010. As the current application is for the subdivision of one (1) lot into five (5) rather than ten (10), with lot sizes of approximately 400ha, the proposed development is no longer considered to be inconsistent with SEPP (Rural Lands) 2008, as the development is no longer considered to be fragmentation of rural land. The current proposal is suitable for the locality given the larger proposed lot sizes. Reducing the number of proposed lots from ten (10) down to five (5) reduced the proposed demand on services to the allotments.

Referrals

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Engineering/Traffic

The application was referred to Council's Director of Technical Services for comment. A response was received detailing the following:

The proposed subdivision must be serviced by a dedicated public road constructed to rural road standards normally associated with construction of local rural roads in Warrumbungle Shire. Currently, access to Lot 83 DP 755523 is via Maroo Road and an access road south of Maroo Road. Maroo Road is an unsealed road maintained by Council between Purlewaugh Road and the Maroo property entrance. The access road is a Crown Road and is not maintained by Council. The length of the Crown access road between the property 'Maroo' and the entrance to the proposed subdivision is approximately 3.9km.

External Referrals for Concurrence

NSW Rural Fire Service

The application was referred to the NSW Rural Fire Service on 10 May 2010. A response was received on 9 June 2010 which detailed conditions of consent for the application regarding access, asset protection zones, water & utilities and design and construction.

Submissions

Surrounding properties were notified of the development proposal between 10 May 2010 and 24 May 2010.

Two (2) submissions were received with the main issues raised being summarised below.

Name & Address of Submitter

Basis of Submissions

Alec Bruce
"Uliman"
COONABARABRAN NSW 2357

- Access
- Isolation/Poor quality land

David Bruce
"Uliman South"
COONABARABRAN NSW 2357

- Access
- Isolation/Poor quality land
- Bush Fire

Consideration

The relevant matters for consideration under Section 79C of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, are assessed under the following headings:

Environmental Planning Instruments

Coonabarabran LEP 1990

1. Permissibility within the zone: (Part II)

The proposed development is permissible as subdivision within the Rural 1 (b) zone.

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2. Zone Objectives

Zone No 1 (b) Rural General

1 Objectives of zone

The objectives of this zone are to promote the proper management and utilisation of resources by:

- (a) protecting, enhancing and conserving:
 - (i) agricultural and pastoral land in a manner which sustains its efficient and effective agricultural production potential,*
 - (ii) soil stability by controlling and locating development in accordance with soil capability,*
 - (iii) forests of existing and potential commercial value for timber production,*
 - (iv) valuable deposits of minerals, coal, petroleum and extractive materials by controlling the location of development for other purposes in order to ensure the efficient extraction of those deposits,*
 - (v) trees and other vegetation in environmentally sensitive areas where the conservation of the vegetation is significant to scenic amenity or natural wildlife habitat or is likely to control land degradation,*
 - (vi) water resources including groundwater for use in the public interest,*
 - (vii) areas of significance for nature conservation including areas with rare plants, wetlands and significant habitat, and*
 - (viii) places and buildings of archaeological or heritage significance, including the protection of Aboriginal relics and places,**
- (b) preventing the unjustified development of prime crop and pasture land for purposes other than agriculture,*
- (c) ensuring that any allotment created for intensive agricultural purposes is potentially and physically capable, on its own, of sustaining a range of those purposes or other agricultural purposes as a commercial agricultural operation suitable to the locality,*
- (d) facilitating farm adjustments,*
- (e) minimising the cost to the community of:
 - (i) fragmented and isolated development of rural land, and*
 - (ii) providing, extending, and maintaining public amenities and services,**
- (f) providing land for small rural holding development and for development, for other non-agricultural purposes, in accordance with the need for that development, and*
- (g) enabling the continuation of traditional forms of rural land use and occupation.*

The proposed development is identified on Council's Environmentally Sensitive Land Map as being Environmentally Sensitive. The subject area is surrounded by rural development, being farmland with lot sizes of the immediate surrounding allotments of 1424.13ha, 1881.45ha, 1200.88ha and 651ha.

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3. General considerations for development within rural zones (Clause 10)

Clause 10 of the Coonabarabran Local Environmental Plan 1990 requires Council to take into consideration the relationship of the development to development on adjoining land or on other land in the locality. The subdivision of one (1) lot into five (5) lots with sizes of approximately 400ha is considered to be consistent with the development on adjoining properties.

4. Subdivision of land generally (Clause 11)

(1) A person shall not subdivide land to which this plan applies except with the consent of the Council.

The applicant has applied for consent from Council for the proposed development.

(2) The Council shall not consent to an application to subdivide land within Zone No 1 (a), 1 (b) or 1 (c) unless it has obtained all relevant information in relation to, and made an assessment of:

(a) the primary purpose for which each allotment to be created by the subdivision is intended to be used,

Each allotment is proposed to be used as a green eco block (lifestyle block).

(b) whether any allotment to be created by the subdivision is intended to be used primarily for the purpose of agriculture,

No allotment created by the subdivision is intended to be used primarily for the purpose of agriculture.

(c) whether a dwelling is intended to be erected on any allotment to be created by the subdivision and the approximate location of any such dwelling.

A dwelling entitlement is proposed for each allotment to be created by the subdivision and approximate locations were proposed.

5. Dwellings in Zone No. 1 (b) (Clause 20)

Any erection of dwellings in the future will be subject to a separate development application with Council.

6. Environmentally Sensitive land (Clause 24)

(2) A person shall not, except with the consent of the Council, cause the destruction of trees on:

(a) more than one hectare of environmentally sensitive land of an existing holding, or

(b) more than 5 per cent of the area of an existing holding, where that 5 per cent comprises environmentally sensitive land, whichever is less.

The proposed development is not seeking to carry out any prohibited development or cause the destruction of more than 1ha of trees.

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The construction of dwellings and sheds anticipated with this development would lead to likely pressure for clearing of areas in excess of 1ha to achieve bushfire protection.

7. Land subject to bushfire hazard (Clause 26)

The application was referred to NSW Rural Fire Service. The application was approved. The applicant is required to provide adequate provision for access for fire fighting vehicles and adequate safeguards (and water, electricity and gas) in accordance with *Planning For Bush Fire Protection 2006*, to provide asset protection zone for the existing dwelling. The design and construction of the building is also to be upgraded.

8. Access (Clause 32)

Access requirements would be considered as part of the road design.

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICIES

State Environmental Planning Policy (Rural Lands) 2008

It is considered that the proposed development is consistent with the State Environmental Planning Policy (Rural Lands) 2008. The application is considered to be consistent with the Rural Planning Principles (Clause 7) and the Rural Subdivision Principles (Clause 8).

REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICIES

Orana Regional Environmental Plan

The Orana Regional Environmental Plan is not applicable to the proposed subdivision application as no lighting is proposed at this stage.

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS

There are no draft Environmental Planning Instruments that apply to the subject site.

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLANS

The application has been assessed against the provisions of the Coonabarabran Shire Council DCP NO 3 Rural Lands. The proposed development is consistent with frontages as specified by DCP 3. Building envelopes are considered to be consistent with DCP 3. As the blocks are proposed as eco blocks, no electricity is proposed for the subdivision. A letter is provided from Country Energy stating that an estimated cost for the design and construction of the electricity supply to the block (11km) would be in the range of \$340000 – \$400,000.

REGULATIONS

There are no clauses of the regulations that specifically apply to the proposed development.

Likely Impacts of Development

Context and Setting

The subject site is located within a rural area of the Warrumbungle Shire approximately 45km east of Coonabarabran. The surrounding area is characterised by rural (farm) development. The subject site is predominantly natural bushland.

Potential Impact on Adjacent Properties

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The adjoining lot sizes range from 650 – 1300ha. The proposed development is considered to be consistent with the surrounding area.

Access, Transport and Traffic

Access is provided via an unsealed Crown Road following on from Maroo Road, south of Purlewaugh Road. No enclosure permit is currently held over this portion of Crown Road. Access to each allotment proposed within the subdivision is proposed via an unsealed access road which is proposed to meet Council's standards for rural roads.

Utilities

Telephone service currently exists on the subject site. Electricity is not proposed for the subdivision as the lots are identified as lifestyle eco blocks.

Natural Hazards

The subject site is identified as bush fire prone on Council's bush fire prone land map. The application was referred to the NSW Rural Fire Service. Conditions of consent were recommended regarding access.

Cumulative Impacts

It is considered that the cumulative impacts as a result of the development will be minimal.

Suitability of the site for the development

The proposed development fits in the locality and the site attributes are conducive to the development.

The Public Interest

The proposed development is considered to be in the public interest.

All likely impacts of the development

All likely impacts of the proposed development have been considered within the context of this report.

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ENVIRONMENTAL APPRAISAL	CONSIDERED
1 Statutory Controls	YES
2 Policy Controls	YES
3 Design in relation to existing building and natural environment	YES
4 Landscaping/Open Space Provision	YES
5 Traffic generation and Carparking provision	YES
6 Loading and Servicing facilities	YES
7 Physical relationship to and impact upon adjoining development (Views, privacy, overshadowing, etc.)	YES
8 Site Management Issues	YES
9 All relevant S79C considerations of Environmental Planning and Assessment (Amendment) Act 1979	YES

Consistency With The Aims Of Plan

It is considered that the development is not inconsistent with the specific aims of the plan and the objectives of the zone and of the controls. As such, consent to the development may be granted.

Submitters' Concerns

The issues raised in the submissions are addressed as follows, if they have not already been addressed in the body of this report:

- *Access*
The road access is considered by the objectors to be inadequate for the number of subdivision lots and do not believe that it is appropriate for the applicant to rely on the gas exploration company to maintain the road.

Planning comment:

The road will be required to be upgraded to an appropriate standard. The gas exploration company will not be relied upon to maintain the road.

- *Isolation/Poor Quality Land*
Objections were made stating that the subject site consists of very rough undeveloped and isolated land which if subdivided will not be viable as farmland.

Planning comment:

It is considered that the proposed subdivision into five (5) lots is consistent with the surrounding area, given the new proposed lot sizes.

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- *Bush Fire*

Objections were made stating that the area has extreme bush fire potential. The fires of the past have threatened surrounding farm land and three years ago a dwelling was destroyed. With the possibility of absent land holders increased pressure will be place on the already under-staffed Saltwater Bush Fire Brigade.

Planning comment:

The subject site is located within bushfire prone land. The application was referred to the NSW Rural Fire Service for comment on the proposed subdivision. The NSW Rural Fire Service issued conditions of consent.

Conclusion

The application is assessed as satisfactory against Section 79(C) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

The proposal is in keeping with the site context, is an appropriate form of development for the site and is unlikely to result in any significant adverse impacts.

RECOMMENDATION

That council grant consent to development application no 128/0910 subject to the attached conditions and Pursuant to section 91 of Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended).

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APPENDIX 1 – Conditions of Consent

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1 The development being carried out in accordance with the development application and the drawings endorsed with Council's approval stamp.

(Reason: To ensure that the form of the development undertaken is in accordance with the determination of Council)
- 2 A copy of all stamped approved plans, specifications and documents (including the Construction Certificate if required for the work incorporating certification of conditions of approval) must be kept on site at all times so as to be readily available for perusal by any officer of Council or the Principal Certifying Authority..

(Reason: To ensure that the form of the development undertaken is in accordance with the determination of Council)
- 3 The following bushfire prevention measure shall be provided to the development:-
 - a) At the issue of the subdivision certificate and in perpetuity, the land surrounding any existing dwelling(s), to a distance of 20metres, shall be maintained as an inner protection area (IPA) as outlined within section 4.1.3 and Appendix 5 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006' and the NSW Rural Fire Service's document 'Standards for asset protection zones'.
 - b) Water, electricity and gas are to comply with section 4.1.3 of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006'.
 - c) Public road access shall comply with section 4.1.3 (1) of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006'
 - d) Property Access roads shall comply with section 4.1.3 (2) of 'Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006'.
 - e) Any existing buildings are required to be upgraded to improve ember protection. This is to be achieved by enclosing all openings (excluding roof tile spaces) or covering openings with a non-corrosive metal screen. Where applicable, this includes any sub floor areas, openable windows, doors, vents, weepholes and eaves.
 - f) Roofing on any existing dwellings shall be gutterless or guttering and valleys are to be screened to prevent the build up of flammable material. Any materials used shall have a Flammability Index of no greater than 5 when tested in accordance with Australian Standard AS 1530.2-1993 'Methods for Fire Tests of Building Materials, Components and Structures – Test for Flammability of Materials'.

Plans and specifications demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to Certifying Authority for approval prior to the release of the Construction Certificate.

(Reason: To prevent and suppress the spread of bushfire.)
- 4 The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.

(Reason: To ensure the proper management of public land and funds)

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2. CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

- 5 The access road to the subdivision and the proposed subdivision road must be constructed (at the applicants cost) in accordance with the following general parameters;
- (a) Road reserve width of at least 30 metres
 - (b) road formation width of 8 metres, with widening at bends in accordance with Austroads Guidelines. Road grades, horizontal and vertical curves designed for a design speed of 60kph.
 - (c) Two coat bitumen seal applied to the road surface where longitudinal grades exceed 5%
 - (d) A road base depth of 200mm.
 - (e) Cul-de-sac diameter of 30 metres
 - (f) Pipe culverts or concrete causeways where drainage across the road is required and designed to 1 in 10 year ARI standard
 - (g) Adequate scour protection for roadside drainage and table drains shall be provided.

All road works shall be designed by an appropriately qualified engineering consultant. All design and construction works shall be in accordance with Council's engineering standards, relevant Austroad Guidelines for road design and water way design. Plans shall be submitted to Council prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

(Reason: To ensure that works are designed to an acceptable standard prior to construction. To ensure adequate design standards)

- 6 Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate the following fees are required to be paid:

Roads & Traffic Facilities (Rural Area)	\$13236
Subdivision Certificate	\$280
Administration Fee	\$40.00
Section 88B Instrument	\$150.00
Total:	\$13706

Note: Council's fees and charges (including Section 94 Contribution Plan charges) are reviewed each June in accordance with CPI fluctuations and the fees quoted may be varied in accordance with that review. As this consent is valid for five (5) years from the date of this approval the charges required to be paid will be those applicable in the financial year that the Subdivision Certificate is sought.

(Reason: To comply with Council's subdivision fees and developer contributions.)

- 7 A soil and water management plan, to be used during construction is to be submitted to Council prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

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(Reason: To avoid pollution, soil erosion and soil degradation.)

- 8 A Review of Environmental Factors must be prepared by an appropriately qualified person and submitted to Council prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

(Reason: To meet requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 in relation to Activities.)

- 9 A driveway access shall be constructed to each lot with pipe culverts or concrete dish drains and design/construction work shall comply with current engineering standards. Access layout shall comply with RTA Road Design Guide Figure 4.9.7. Plans showing the location of each driveway are to be submitted to Council prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Note: The number of accesses shall be limited to one per lot unless prior approval from Council is obtained.

(Reason: To ensure that accesses comply with current RTA and Council guidelines)

- 10 No works shall commence on site until such time as a Construction Certificate has been issued for either part or all of the works.

(Reason: Prescribed - Statutory)

3. CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

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- a. Toilet facilities must be provided on the work site at the rate of one toilet for every 20 persons or part of 20 persons employed at the work site.
- b. Each toilet provided must:
 - be a standard flushing toilet, connected to a public sewer, or
 - if connection to a public sewer is not available, to an on-site effluent disposal system approved by the council, or
 - a portable toilet.
- c. The provision of toilet facilities must be completed before any other work is commenced.

(Reason: To ensure the health and safety of the community and workers on the site)

4. CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE SUBDIVISION CERTIFICATE

- 12 All easements, rights-of-way, right- of-carriageway, and restrictions-as-to-user as indicated on the plans submitted with the application for a Subdivision Certificate are to be registered on the title of the relevant lots.

(Reason: To ensure proper management of land)

- 13 An easement for electricity 20m wide shall be created from the connection point of the existing electricity network to each proposed allotment. This easement shall be

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registered on the title of the relevant lots, naming Warrumbungle Shire Council and Country Energy as the authorities empowered to release or modify the same.

(Reason: To ensure adequate servicing of the development.)

14 Prior to the release of the final plan of subdivision (i.e the linen plan) the following works shall be completed:

- a) The proposed new road shall be fenced on both sides. The standard of fence shall be at least 1.2m high with four (4) plain wires and one (1) barbed wire, with hinge joint netting or equivalent. No strainers or fence bracing shall extend onto or within the road reserve. The installation of gates or grids across the road will not be permitted.
- b) All street and road furniture including road name signs, traffic advisory signs, guide posts, etc are to be supplied and erected by the applicant at no cost to Council and in accordance with all relevant Australian Standards and Council's Rural Subdivision Engineering Standards.
- c) All works identified in Conditions 5 & 9.

(Reason: To meet the requirements of Council's Rural Subdivision Engineering Standards)

15 A maintenance bond of 5% of Council's estimates of new roadworks being deposited prior to the release of the linen plan with the bond remaining in force for a period of six months from the date of completion of the roadworks.

(Reason: A surety against quality of works)

16 The road access to the subject site must be acquired from the Department of Lands by Council to enable works to be carried out and maintenance performed in the future. Once Council has acquired the road, the road is to be upgraded to the standards required in this consent, at full expense to the applicant.

The road within the subdivision is to be dedicated to Council at no cost to the applicant.

(Reason: To provide adequate access to the allotments)

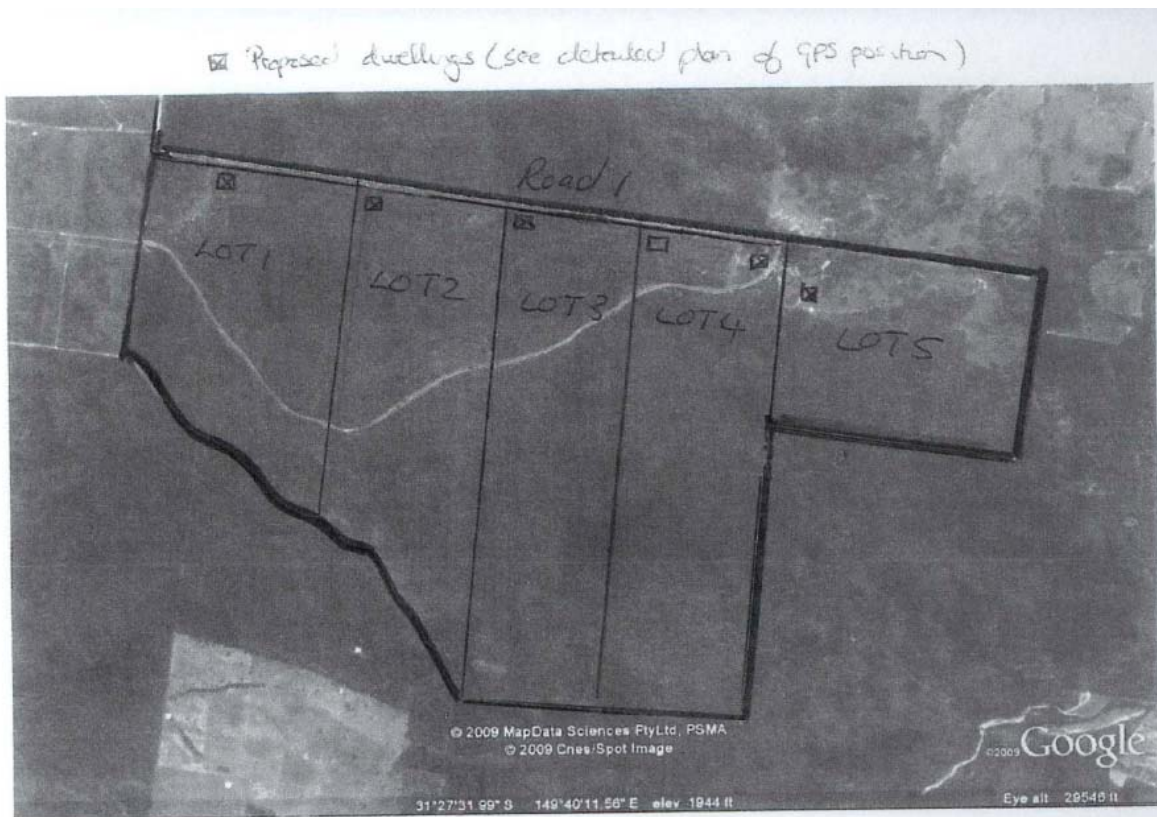
17 Prior to the release of the final plan of subdivision (i.e the linen plan) the applicant is to contact Council to determine the correct Rural Numbers for the newly created allotment. For further information your contact in this matter is Mrs Carol Naismith on 68492000. Any fees associated with obtaining rural numbering are to be paid at full expense to the applicant.

(Reason: To ensure correct numbering)

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- Electricity easement
 - Property border
- Neon yellow is road access
Only road one will be used for access

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APPENDIX 3 – Submissions

19th May 2010

David Bruce
Uliman South
Coonabarabran
NSW 2357

RECEIVED
24 MAY 2010

BY:.....

RE: DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO.128/0910

The General Manager
Warrumbungle Shire Council
PO Box 191
Coonabarabran
NSW 2357

Dear Sir

I wish to make a submission regarding the above Development Application.

My objections to this application remain the same as to the initial application and are as follows;


1. The applicant's claim that the exploration company who found gas on an adjacent property will automatically upgrade and maintain the road is premature and hypothetical. Exploration is still in early stages and many years from production *if* and or when it does go ahead.
2. The land involved in the application is very rough, undeveloped and isolated, not suitable for agricultural production. Any buyers will surely treat their blocks as "weekenders" resulting in absentee landholders unavailable at short notice to control bushfires, thus putting more pressure on our already under-staffed Saltwater BFB. For those residents present when a bushfire occurs in an isolated area with limited access a very dangerous situation arises as shown by the Black Saturday fires in Victoria.
The applicant's claims of maintenance and hazard reduction are general rather than specific.

Nothing has been done to address these issues by the applicant. Making the subdivisions larger does nothing to alleviate the fact that these blocks are agriculturally unviable. They are still isolated and have only limited access.

This so called development is no more than a cynical attempt to lure unsuspecting urban dwellers who have no idea what they are buying into bad investments.

I would urge the Council to consider this application carefully and take the time to inspect the site and then make a fully informed decision.

Yours faithfully



David Bruce

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BY:.....

To the General Manager
Warrumbungle Shire Council.

And to Mrs J. McIntosh, P90766

Re Development Application N.128/0910

Dear Sir

I present a submission against the proposed application on the following grounds.

① The land in question is too isolated and out of the question for agricultural development. It has been tried for the latter and proven as such.

② There appear to be problems with access.

③ There have always been fire risks associated with this area and I cannot see that risks being improved by haphazard settlement by irresponsible human settlement.

④ Information from Santos (re mining development) seems to indicate that this could be 40-50 years down the track.

⑤ My main fear is that it will involve the Council in much expenditure for a very small return (if any).

Yours faithfully
Alec Bruce.

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14 June 2010

General Manager
Warrumbungle Shire Council
Attention: Planning and Development
PO Box 191
Coonabarabran NSW 2357

Dear Sir

**Re: Development application No. 128/0910, Lot 83 DP: 755523 "Umtali" sub-division
Maroo Road Purlewaugh**

Herewith are my comments to the four submissions to the above application received after public exhibition:

Issues raised	Comment
Mr Alec Bruce Mr Bruce is raising issues the land is non viable agricultural land with an access problem. Fire risks and Santos involvement in the upgrade of the road are also mentioned	The main access to proposed sub-division being Maroo Road will be upgraded to comply with Council's current standards. The NSW Rural Fire Service has approved the subdivision layout on drawings submitted with application according verbal confirmation from Jane McIntosh in your planning office. I have not as yet seen the approval, but assume that it would have been based on compliance of section 4.1.3(2) of the Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2006. The proposed sub-division will open the area with more access roads and therefore more adequate control in preventing such fires.
Mr David Bruce Mr Bruce is concerned that the assumption of the upgrading of Maroo Road by Santos is premature and hypothetical. Secondly, he is concerned that new owners will treat their blocks as "weekenders" resulting in absentee landholders unavailable at short notice to control bushfires.	The access to proposed sub-division will be upgraded to comply with Council's current engineering standards. Lot 83, being the sub-division block has been unoccupied for many years and more landowners will only contribute to the control of bushfires, with better access roads and fire breaks. It is also not reasonable for Mr Bruce to pre-empt the actions of future owners.

Yours faithfully



JJ Van der Walt

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4.5 COMMITMENT TO REGIONAL STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT REPORT

Council has previously used a partnership between the Central West CMA and other council's to produce a catchment wide State of the Environment Report that meets its annual reporting requirements. The arrangement has worked well for Council with efficiency in delivery achieved through scale and a \$10000 contribution from the CMA helping to reduce the ultimate cost to Council.

It is again proposed to use the above arrangements for the next two years to achieve Council's reporting requirements and the Central West CMA have written to Council requesting that agree to a commitment of \$2750 per year for the next three years as Council's contribution to the cost of the consultants producing the report.

Council's proposed budget for 2010/11 includes a total of \$5000 toward the production of a state of the environment report to allow for water sampling and staff wage costs in addition to the contribution to the total consultants costs.

RECOMMENDATION

Council agree to a contribution of \$2750 per year for the production of the 2010,2011 and 2012 regional state of the environment reports.

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4.6 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR MONTH OF MAY 2010

Complying Development (set criteria) Development Application (Specialised Conditions)	Date Received	APPLICANT'S NAME	LOCATION (of development)	(Town)	Development Type	Status (Approved or Pending)
CDC 124/0910	04/05/2010	Rawson Homes / Bredereck	Charles Street	Coonabarabran	New Residence	Approved
DA 125/0910	04/05/2010	Christine Walton	Timor Road	Coonabarabran	Subdivision	Pending
DA 126/0910	06/05/2010	Sarah Johnston	Nelson Street	Coonabarabran	Subdivision	Pending
DA 127/0910	06/05/2010	David Baker	Milroy	Coonabarabran	Alterations	Pending
DA 128/0910	07/05/2010	Johannes Van der Walt	Umtali	Purlewaugh	5 Lot Subdivision	Pending
DA 129/0910	10/05/2010	Warrumbungle Shire Council	Waste Collection Point	Dunedoo	Council Recycling Shed	Pending
DA 130/0910	10/05/2010	Teacher Housing Authority	Belar Street	Coonabarabran	Construction Of Units	Pending
DA 131/0910	14/05/2010	John Broeksema	Stannix Road	Coonabarabran	New Sunroom	Pending
CDC 132/0910	24/05/2010	Nick Antonioli	George Street	Binnaway	Car Port & Screen Enclosure	Approved
DA 133/0910	25/05/2010	Robyn Glennister	Hill Street	Coonabarabran	New Outdoor Decking	Pending
DA 134/0910	26/05/2010	Robyn Jackson	Wattle Street	Binnaway	New Verandah	Pending
DA 135/0910	28/05/2010	Elizabeth Cutts	Bligh Street	Baradine	Extension To Existing Building	Pending
DA 136/0910	28/05/2010	Victor Schmidt	John Street	Coonabarabran	Boundary Adjustment	Pending
CDC 137/0910	21/05/2010	Rawson Homes (Pro Cert)	Henderson Street	Coolah	New Residence	Approved
CDC 138/0910	27/05/2010	NSW Dept Education / Steve Watson	Merrygoen Street	Dunedoo	Construct an Art Block	Approved
CDC 139/0910	27/05/2010	NSW Dept Education / Steve Watson	Binnia Street	Coolah	Covered Workshop & Training Area	Approved
CDC 140/0910	27/05/2010	NSW Dept Education / Steve Watson	Brambil Street	Mendooran	Covered Training and Kitchen	Approved

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WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COUNCIL APPLICATIONS HELD PENDING AS AT THE END APRIL 2010

CD or DA	Date Received	APPLICANT'S NAME	LOCATION	Town	Type of Development	Status
DA 138/0809	12/06/02009	Jason Newton	Crane Street	Coonabarabran	Addition to Shed	Clock Stopped Waiting Further information
DA 46/0910	09/10/2009	Matthew Leeson	Tucklan Street	Dunedoo	Change Shed to School Bus Depot	Clock Stopped Waiting Further information
CDC 104/0910	22/03/2010	Tony McWilliam	Timor Street	Coonabarabran	Erection Of a Dwelling	Clock Stopped Waiting Further information
CDC 115/0910	16/04/2010	Beverly Ogle	Farnell Street	Mendooran	New Shed & Washroom	Pending
DA 117/0910	20/04/2010	Glenn Halliday	Warrumbungles Way	Binnaway	New Residence & Demolition of Old	Pending
DA 118/0910	21/04/2010	Rosalind Pearce	Charles Street	Coolah	Dual Occupancy, (Granny Flat)	Pending
CDC 119/0910	21/04/2010	Robin Glennister	Hill Street	Coonabarabran	Screen Enclosure	Pending
DA 122/0910	23/04/2010	Liz Easton	Baradine Aerodrome	Baradine	Install New Telecommunications Facility	Pending

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TONY MEPPEM
ACTING DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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Mr R J Geraghty
General Manager
Warrumbungle Shire Council
John Street
COONABARABRAN 2357

Dear Sir

Attached is my report for consideration by Council

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES ANNEXURE 5

5.1 NSW COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP FUND

The NSW Government is continuing the \$35 million Community Building Partnership program in 2010 to provide funding for '*vital community infrastructure for the benefit of local communities throughout NSW*'.

Last year 1,180 grants were approved for community groups and local councils to build or upgrade local facilities. Warrumbungle Shire Council received \$20,000 to complete the No 1 Oval Grandstand refurbishment project. A number of community organisations from Baradine, Dunedoo and Coolah also received funding for projects worth a total of \$23,676.

Funding has been provided to each electorate; \$300,000 of which is allocated to Barwon. Community groups and local councils are eligible to submit applications for funding that will help support local infrastructure and jobs.

Applications from local councils will require a commitment of matching funding by the Council. Projects must be ready to commence by late 2010 and be completed before the end of December 2011. Applications for funding close on Friday 23 July 2010.

Members of Parliament will:

- Invite applications from local councils and community groups within their electoral districts.
- Provide comments and recommendations on the suitability and priority of eligible proposals within their electoral districts for the Premier's consideration.
- The Department of Premier and Cabinet will make recommendations to the Premier based on the assessment criteria and information provided by Members of Parliament and independent review panels.

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What type of projects may be funded?

Applications should demonstrate how they will deliver positive results for communities, especially community social, recreational, environmental or employment outcomes.

Funded projects will provide community benefits through;

1. construction of new capital works;
2. refurbishment, repairs and maintenance to existing capital facilities; or
3. the purchase of capital equipment with a life expectancy of 15+ years that enables the delivery of new or enhanced community services.

What will not be funded?

- Non capital equipment (e.g. chairs, computers, IT equipment, sports equipment etc).
- Projects that have commenced prior to August 2010.
- Projects that involve the development of private or commercial ventures including licensed areas of registered clubs.
- Projects that seek funding for the organisation's operating recurrent expenses (eg: staff, consumables etc).
- Projects that seek funding to stage events, exhibit a display or for filming.
- Projects to undertake studies or investigations.
- Purchase of land or buildings is generally not appropriate.

Project Assessment Criteria

The successful projects will be assessed relative to all projects within each Electoral District on merit against the following criteria:

1. Enhancement or construction of community infrastructure that is pivotal to local community members providing activities and services needed by local communities that promote vibrancy, harmony, cohesion and participation.
2. Projects which encourage participation in activities or services needed by a broad section of the community and which promote inclusion by disadvantaged sections of the community.
3. Projects that provide value for money by leveraging other sources of funds to deliver the community infrastructure.
4. Projects that will create employment during construction and/or ongoing employment, or improve the ongoing sustainability of the activity or service delivery.
5. Projects in which the applicant organisation has the capacity and experience to deliver the project.

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MANEX has reviewed current Council projects with a \$ allocation in the 2010-2011 budget and made an assessment of a proposed value added project meeting the funding criteria. Those projects shortlisted include;

Project 2010-2011	Amount	Proposed Value Add Project
Baradine Lions Park Upgrade	\$20,000	Refurbishment of Amenities
Baradine Pool Baby Pool Shade	\$19,000	Shade for Playground
Coonabarabran Town Hall (Revote from 09/10)	\$20,000	Sound proof wall dividers
Tennis Courts Coonabarabran Lights (\$24,000 Council and \$8,000 Tennis Club)	\$32,000	New fence

Notwithstanding these projects above, Council could nominate another project and allocate a supplementary vote to the value of \$30,000-\$40,000. Suggested projects include; the Baradine or Binnaway Oval Kiosks or Neilson Park public access and walkway development upstream of the Mary Jane Cain Bridge.

Alternatively Council may allocate funds from income received from Section 94A levies and select a project rated 'Highest Priority' from those included in the Section 94 A Plan. *Pages 6-9 of the Warrumbungle Shire Council Section 94A Levy (Indirect Community Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2009 is attached under separate cover for Councillors information.*

Council will need to demonstrate how the project will deliver positive results for the community, through job creation and community, social, recreational or environmental outcomes.

An application from Council does not prevent any community organisation from the Shire submitting individual applications.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council submits an application under the NSW Community Building Partnerships Program 2010 for \$20,000 for the Baradine Lions Park Amenities Refurbishment project.

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REBECCA RYAN
DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES