PRESENT: Cr Peter Shinton (Chairman), Cr Coe, Cr Connelly, Cr Dawson, Cr

Egan, Cr Lewis, Cr Sullivan, Cr Todd, General Manager, Director Corporate Services, Director Environmental Services and Director of

Community Services.

In attendance: S Morris (minutes)

The Mayor welcomed members of the gallery.

Forum

9.03am

Mr Rod Young addressed Council expressing his concerns regarding the new LEP and Draft Issues Paper and the reference in those papers to Riparian buffer zones and corridors and land use strategies.

9.04am

Councillor Wendy Hill and Director Technical Services joined the meeting.

Mr Young explained the impact and controls of buffer zones and corridors on freehold land.

Mr Young asked that Council approach the Local Government and Shires Association to activate the rural alliance (established by the Association with NSW Farmers) to allow these bodies to argue with the Department of Planning on a State wide basis.

9.17am

Carolyn Dowling addressed Council on behalf of the Coonabarabran Swimming Club questioning Council's decision to close the pools early and seeking information regarding reasons for closure, expenditure, projected budgets and attendance figures. Mrs Dowling also outlined some of the maintenance work required on the pool and informed Council that the Club would like answers justifying Council's decisions.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON 21 FEBRUARY 2008 264 RESOLVED that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Warrumbungle Shire Council held on 21 February 2008 be endorsed.

Todd/Dawson

Business arising

Councillor Hill advised that the minutes should record her vote against the sale of the Medical Centre in Coolah.

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE SOCIAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13 FEBRUARY 2008

265 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Warrumbungle Shire Social Services Advisory Committee meeting held on 13 February 2008 be adopted.

Hill/Dawson

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28 FEBRUARY 2008

266 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting held on 28 February 2008 be adopted.

Dawson/Sullivan

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WARRUMBUNGLE AERODROMES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13 MARCH 2008

267 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Warrumbungle Aerodromes Advisory Committee meeting held on 13 March 2008 be adopted subject to Recommendation 14 being amended as follows:

14 RECOMMENDED that \$15,038 be transferred from restricted asset and a supplementary vote of \$6,962 from General Fund be approved for the following:

Baradine Operating Budget	\$ 8,000
Coolah Operating Budge	\$ 10,000
Coolah Capital Budget	\$ 29,000
Coolah Capital Income	\$ (25,000)
TOTAL	\$ 22,000

Sullivan/Connelly

ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 FEBRUARY 2008

268 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Plant Advisory Committee meeting held on 21 February 2008 be adopted.

Sullivan/Todd

9.55am

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

1.1 CORPORATE UNIFORM POLICY (SALARIED STAFF)

269 RESOLVED that Council endorse the following amended Corporate Uniform Policy (Salaried Staff).

Corporate Uniform Policy (Salaried staff)

Council will adopt a corporate uniform, which will bear the Warrumbungle Shire Council logo.

Current staff members will be encouraged to wear Council's corporate uniform. Those staff members who agree to wear the corporate uniform and accept the offer of a subsidy will be required to wear the uniform daily during work hours. New staff members will, as part of the terms of engagement, be required to wear the uniform. The composition of the uniform will be determined by a majority of staff.

In order to maintain Council's corporate image, the uniform subsidy will only be offered on uniforms purchased from Council's approved supplier and must be from the approved uniform range.

In the event that the approved uniform range does not have a sufficient size range to fit some members of staff, the General Manager may consider allowing those members of staff to purchase similar items from a different source and providing the subsidy. All such purchases must be approved in advance and must be as similar to the uniform range as possible, both in style and colouring.

Council will subsidise individual staff uniforms by an annual contribution equivalent to 50% of the cost, subject to a maximum of \$400 in the first year and \$200 per year thereafter. Where applied for, Council will provide an interest-free loan to individual staff towards their contribution to the corporate uniform, subject to the annual limits referred to above. The loan is repayable within 6 months of issue.

The corporate uniform is not compulsory for Staff in funded positions as funding does not normally cover uniform costs and therefore in those instances the uniform contribution is not available to those positions. Accordingly the uniform policy does not apply to those staff members. However, if it is agreed that the uniform is appropriate for staff in a funded area, they may still pay it off over six months, and claim the whole amount as a tax deduction.

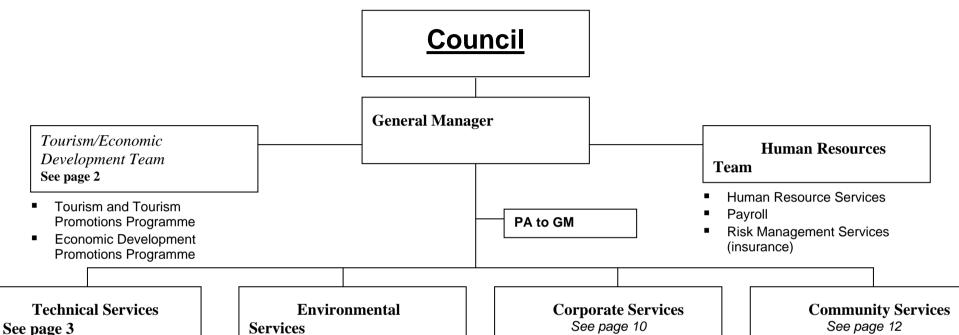
Sullivan/Coe

1.2 ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

270 RESOLVED that Council endorse the following amended organisation structure as presented.

Lewis/Egan

Warrumbungle Shire Council Structure



- Civil Infrastructure Assets Register
- Civil Infrastructure Programme
- Civil Infrastructure Maintenance & Repair
- Civil Infrastructure Traffic Management
- Car Parking
- Street Lighting
- Water Supply and Sewerage
- Waste Management
- Horticulture & Land Care
- Fleet Management
- **Depots**
- Trade Waste
- **Design Services**

Services

- Act as Custodian of built and natural environment of the Shire
- Town Planning
- **Development Services**
- **Building Services**
- **Environmental Health**
- **Health Services**
- **Cemetery Services**
- **Environmental Advisory Services**
- Regulatory Services
- Swimming Pools

See page 10

- Corporate Planning
- Annual Operating Plan and Budget (Activity Based)
- Internal Audit(s)
- Organisation Development Custodian
- **Bushfire Services**
- Financial, Rating and Accounting
- Information Management
- **Records Management**
- Secretariat/Secretarial
- Landlord Services
- Commercial Activities Management
- Supply Services
- Security and Emergency Services related to space occupied by Organisation staff

See page 12

- Library Services
- **Cultural Services**
- **Childcare Services**
- Youth & Aged Services
- Community Development
- **Recreation Services**
- Community Banking
- Community Transport
- Aerodrome Services
- Community Welfare Services
- Community Arts
- Community Halls and Facilities
- **Noxious Weeds**
- **Emergency Services**

HUMAN RESOURCES Budget/Reviews **Team Leader Human Resources STRUCTURE** HR Strategies to Organisational Strategies Workplace Relations HR Policies Risk Assessment Strategies Performance Management Workplace Safety Officer Payroll Officer **Human Resources Officer** • Risk Assessment - Safe Work Method Payroll Recruitment OO-Soft - database maintenance Statements FBT – Motor Vehicles Induction/Exit Interviews - Coolah Trainee Management Workers Compensation Management Workplace Health and Traineeships Superannuation Apprenticeships Safety Management RDO Register Safety Audit Review Review and implementation of HR Payroll backup Policies and Procedures Develop EEO Plan in conjunction with Team Leader Inductions and Exit Interviews -Coonabarabran

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Team Leader Economic Budget and reviews & TOURISM STRUCTURE Manage economic development and tourism objectives **Development & Tourism** Develop and implement marketing and strategic plans Conferences and events Community economic development Grants and funding opportunities Industry and government networks Business development and growth P-T Visitor Information Officer **Tourism Promotions Coordinator** Tourism Administration Officer Calendar of Events Administration functions of Visitor Information Centre Implement marketing strategy campaign Visitor Information Services Coordinate promotional activities Volunteers - information, families, training Visitor Information Services Records and statistics Stock control, cash transactions, merchandise Research, data and statistics analysis Guides, brochures, operator information Tourism NSW data warehouse Networking tourism organisations

TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION STRUCTURE

Director Technical Services

Manager Road Operations

See page 4

- Construction of drainage, roads & bridges
- Maintenance of roads & bridges
- Private works

Manager Road Contracts

See page 5

- RTA Single Invitation Contract
- RTA works
- Bitumen road resurfacing
- Gravel pits
- Road & bridge contract documentation
- Quality control

Manager Water Services

See page 5

- Water & sewerage strategic planning
- Water & sewerage operations
- Liquid trade waste

Manager Urban Services

See page 6

- Parks & gardens construction & maintenance
- Cleaning of streets
- Waste collection and processing

Manager Assets & Design Services

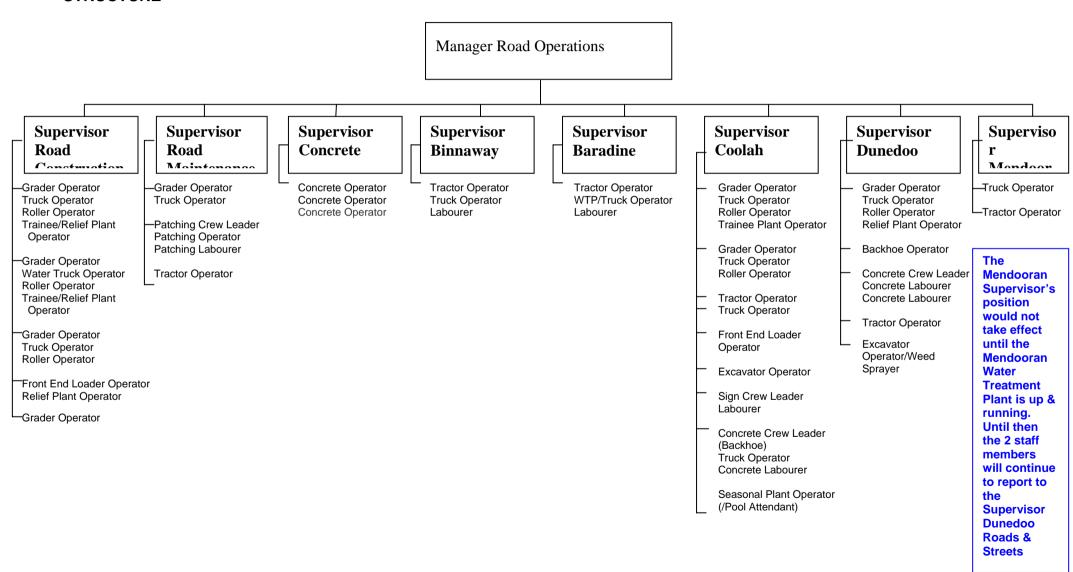
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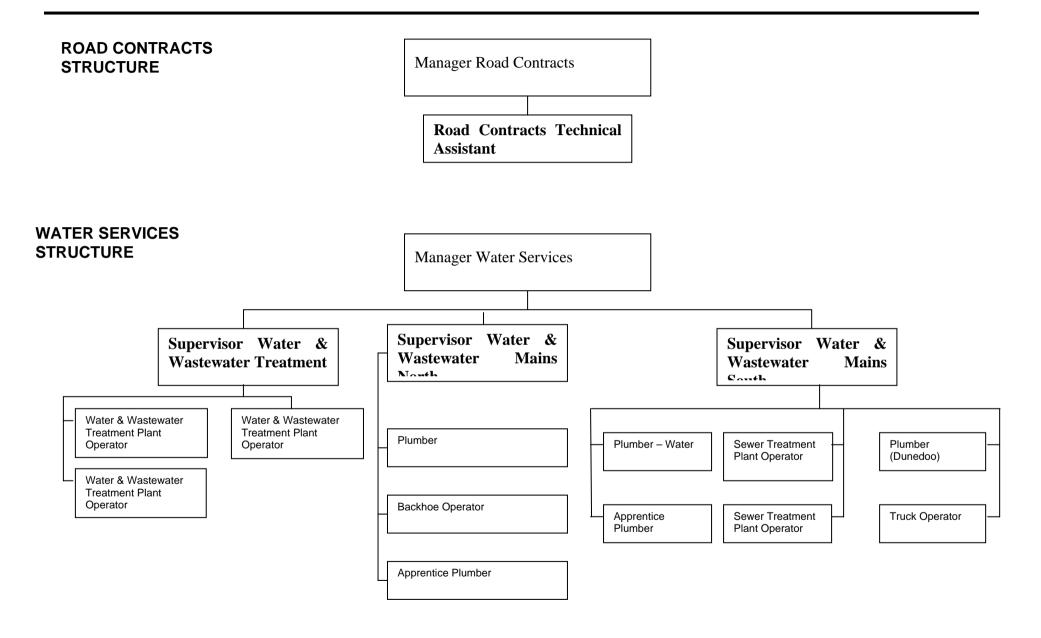
- Survey investigation and design
- Asset management
- Traffic management
- Car parking
- Street lighting
- DA referrals

Manager Fleet Services
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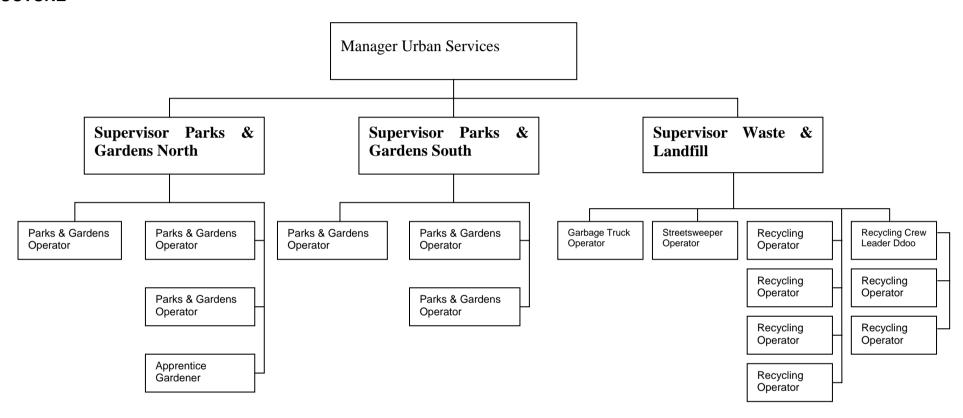
- Plant replacement
- Maintenance of plant
- Depot planning and maintenance
- Fleet communications

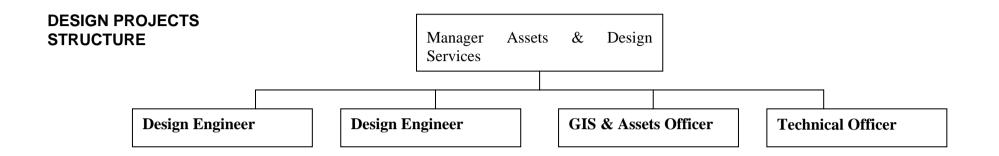
ROAD OPERATIONS STRUCTURE



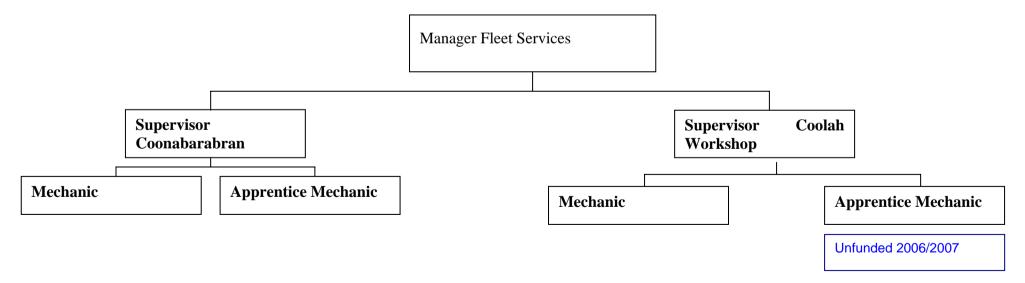


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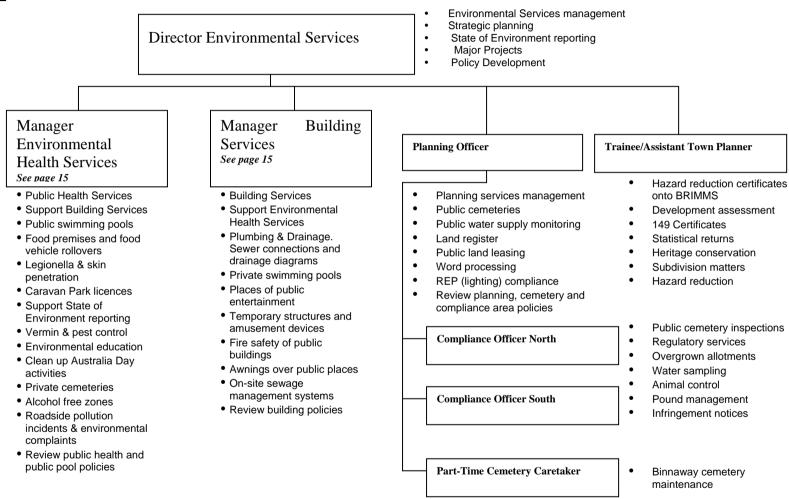




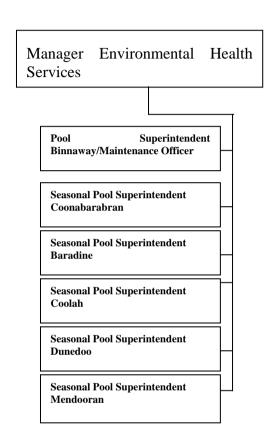
FLEET SERVICES STRUCTURE



ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION STRUCTURE



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES STRUCTURE

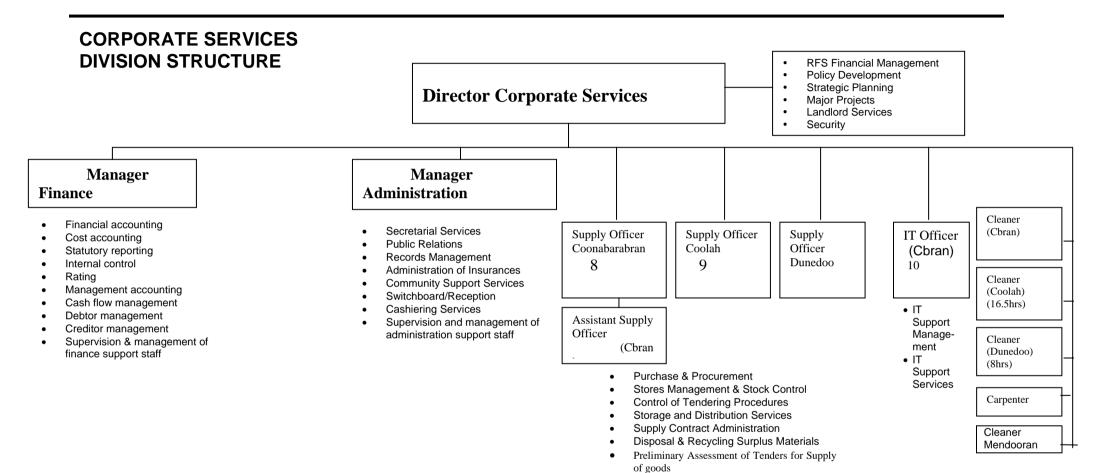


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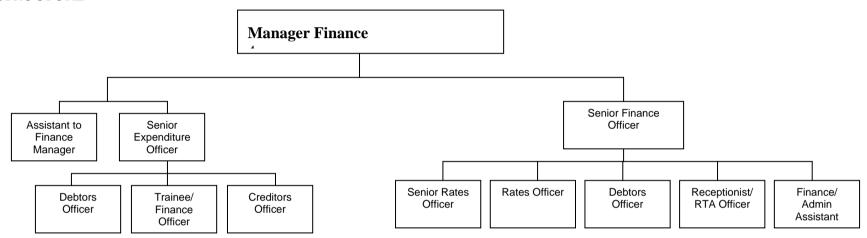
Manager Building Services

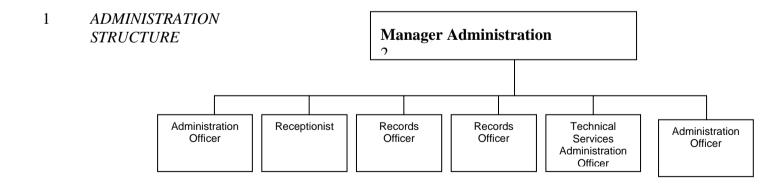
Environmental Administration Officer

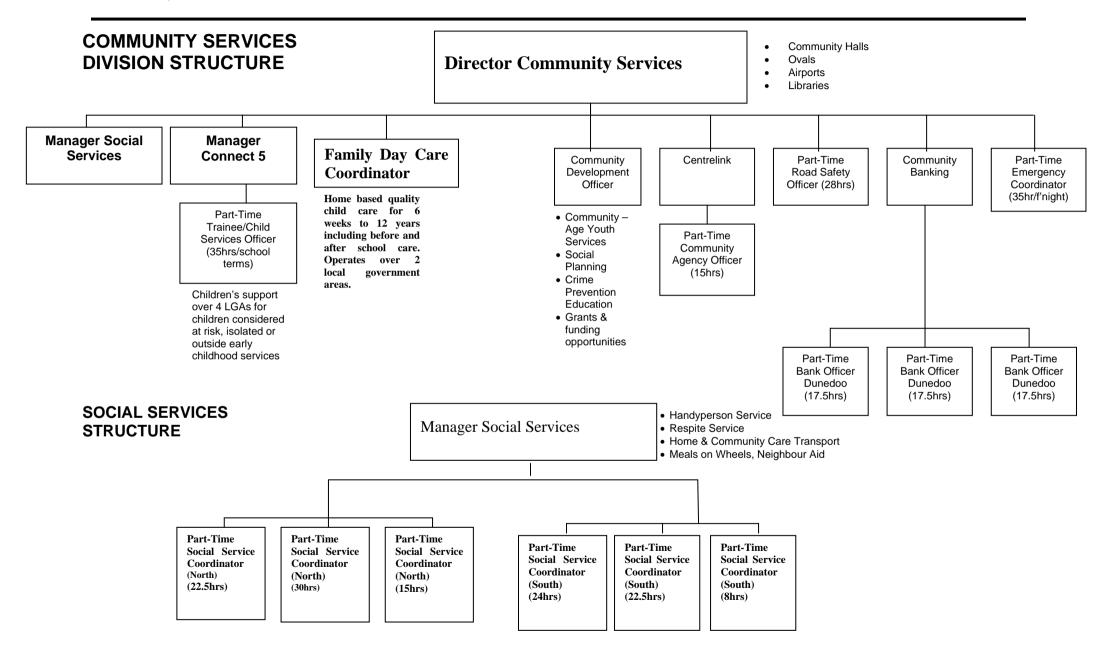
- Support 149 Certificates
- Rural numbering
- Street numbering
- Environmental education and river monitoring
- Sewer records and drainage diagrams



3 FINANCE STRUCTURE







1.3 SHIRES CONFERENCE

271 RESOLVED that the Mayor, General Manager and two additional Councillors being Councillors Coe and Lewis attend the Shires Conference and the "C" Division public relations function.

Hill/Egan

1.4 NATIONAL ROADS CONGRESS

272 RESOLVED that the Mayor, General Manager and Councillor Todd be authorised to attend the National Roads Congress in Shepparton, Victoria on 16th and 17th June 2008.

Hill/Coe

1.5 NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

A motion was moved by Councillors Dawson seconded Councillor Hill that Council contribute \$30,000 for the internal works at the Dunedoo Shed. The motion was withdrawn.

273 RESOLVED that further information be sought concerning the request for commitment of funds on a dollar for dollar basis with the SES for proposed internal building works at the Dunedoo shed and that a report be submitted to Council's April meeting.

Sullivan/Hill

1.6 BARADINE LIONS PARK

274 RESOLVED that Council write to the Baradine Progress Association informing them that many contribute to community and that Council is unable to accede to their request regarding the placement of a plaque at Baradine Lions Park in recognition of David Johnston. **FURTHER** that the Association could consider nominating Mr Johnston for an Australia Day award.

Sullivan/Connelly

1.7 BINNAWAY COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

275 RESOLVED that Council take no action in relation to the request from Binnaway Progress Association for Council to pay the monthly maintenance charge on their photocopier.

Sullivan/Coe

1.8 NOTICE OF MOTION

276 RESOLVED that the General Manager prepare a scoping and issues report detailing costings and expenditures and rating revenue for each town to allow Council to consider this proposal in detail at the April Council meeting.

Lewis/Dawson

10.43am

277 RESOLVED that standing orders be suspended to take a presentation from Mr David Helmers regarding Men's Sheds and to break for morning tea.

Connelly/Coe

Mr Helmers addressed Council informing the meeting that there are approximately 450 Men's Sheds around Australia. He indicated that the Shed was a place for men to belong, go to, work on community projects and a placing for sharing. Mr Helmers explained that the Windale She is a test case and is now 100% self managed and self funded.

Mr Helmer explained that Federal Government funding is available however the government is looking at funding a cluster of Sheds and that Warrumbungle Shire could meet that requirement. Mr Helmer also explained that the Shire community has demonstrated an enthusiasm for sheds in the various towns.

Council involvement could be to seek funding through community partnership programs and could look at opportunities to donate in kind support.

11.29am

278 RESOLVED that standing orders be resumed.

Connelly/Coe

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

2.1 DUE BY THE BANK TO THE FOLLOWING FUNDS AS AT 29 FEBRUARY 2008

Received.

2.2 COMPARISON OF COUNCIL'S INTEREST RATES

Received.

2.3 RECONCILIATION OF GENERAL FUND BANK ACCOUNT - 29TH FEBRUARY 2008

Received.

2.4 STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS AS AT 29 FEBRUARY, 2008 INVESTMENT REGISTER

Received.

There was considerable discussion concerning Council's investment portfolio.

12.20PM

The General Manager left the room.

2.5 RATES AND CHARGES COLLECTION – UP TO and INCLUDING FEBRUARY 2008

Received.

12.24PM

The General Manager returned to the meeting.

2.6 SUPPLEMENTARY VOTE REQUESTS FROM ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

279 RESOLVED that Council make the following changes to the 2007/2008 budget by way of supplementary votes.

That a supplementary vote of \$2,000 be made to the Baradine Public Swimming Pool. That a supplementary vote of \$3,000 be made to Environmental - Town Planning. That a supplementary vote of \$25,000 be made to the Cemeteries as follows:

Baradine	\$1,500
Binnaway	\$4,000
Coona Old	\$3,000
Native Grove	\$3,000
Cobborah	\$1,500
Coolah	\$6,000
Dunedoo	\$3,000
Mendooran	\$3,000

Dawson/Sullivan

2.7 REQUEST FOR DONATION FOR WATER CHARGES FOR DIALYSIS

280 RESOLVED that Council approve a donation for water usage to the equivalent of 350 litres from 18 January 2006; for this current year and whilst this ratepayer is using a kidney dialysis machine; and further that a pro-rata allowance be made for the period 18 January 2006 to 30 June 2007 and the appropriate amount be refunded.

Lewis/Sullivan

12.36PM DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

3.1 ACCESS ROAD 'Glengarry" DUNEDOO

281 RESOLVED that the applicants be informed that Council is unable to accede to their request for Council to adopt the Crown Road and advise that they could investigate fencing the road out.

Dawson/Coe

3.2 POLICY – PRIVATE WORKS UNDERTAKEN BY COUNCIL

282 RESOLVED that Council adopts the following Policy on Private Works as attached to this report.

Private Works

(External and Internal Hire of Council Owned Plant and Equipment)

Policy and Procedures

1. Policy Objective

Council owns and maintains a wide variety of plant and equipment to enable it to undertake its service obligation functions. When not utilised in the provision of

service functions, Council plant and equipment may be hired out to undertake private works. Council expects that private works are undertaken on a commercial basis and that a profit is made. However, it is not the intention of Council to undertake private works in direct competition to local contractors and in this regard, private works are generally undertaken when local contractors are not available.

2. Authority

Council has authority to undertake private works through Section 67 of the Local Government Act 1993. Fees charged for private works shall be in accordance with fees as published annually in Council's Management Plan. Section 67 of the Local Government Act places responsibility on Council to publicly report any private works undertaken where the fees charged are less than those published in the Management Plan.

3. Procedures

The procedure for undertaking private works and recovering costs are categorised into either external private works or internal private works.

3.1 External Private Works

When Council is carrying out private works for individuals, companies or community groups, essentially it is acting as a Contractor. There are risks associated with being a Contractor particularly in relation to payment for works undertaken. However, as Council is using public money to undertake private works, it is necessary to have in place the highest level of safeguards to avoid loss of funds. Procedures must be in place to ensure that when private works are undertaken administrative processes are in place that enables efficient recovery of costs associated with private works. Further, the procedures for establishing prices and collecting payment must be transparent and clear accountabilities established.

The nature of private works undertaken by Council varies considerably in scope, complexity, location and in value. For the purpose of charging and collecting payment there are two procedures in place.

3.1.1 Payment up Front

Payment up front is required for minor works less than \$150 in value. Private works that fall under this category are typically associated with parks and garden activities such as grass cutting and tree pruning. Other works that might fall into this category include some plumbing works and waste collection works, and these are generally located in urban areas. Under this category no money is to be handled by operating staff, instead, authority to undertake private works is through the Supervisor and provision of a receipt from Council's cashier.

A job number must be allocated prior to works being undertaken and this will be incorporated on the receipt.

3.1.2 Payment for Works Undertaken

Council will send an invoice to the client when payment is not received up front. Private works that fall under this category are typically associated with roadworks that involves earthmoving machinery and large trucks. The location of the works are mostly in the rural areas of the Shire and are undertaken when plant and equipment is within a short distance of the Client's job.

Private works under this payment category will only be undertaken under the following circumstances:

- Council's Private Works Agreement Form is signed by the Client prior to commencement of works.
- The relevant Supervisor or Manager has given authority to the operator to undertake the works
- A formal quotation has been prepared and accepted by the Client where the scale of the proposed works warrants a quotation.
- A private works job number has been created and issued by Council's Finance Section.

The warrant for a quotation depends on the nature of the proposed works and is described as follows:

3.1.2.1 No Quotation Required

Generally, private works that involve no more than one works crew and limited input by the Supervisor do not need a quotation. Such works are initiated by completion of Council's Private Works Agreement form and authorisation by the relevant Supervisor.

3.1.2.2 Quotation Required

A quotation is required for private works that are large in scale, involve more than one works crew and require significant input by the Manager. The Manager will prepare the quotation and works will only commence when a purchase order has been issued by the Client.

Typically, private works requiring a quotation are undertaken for Government Agencies such as the RTA, larger corporations such as Country Energy or ARTC and large construction contractors involved in civil works or subdivision construction.

3.2. Internal Private Works

The procedures applicable to external private works do not adequately cover hire of Council owned plant and equipment by members of Staff. As custodians of local government plant and equipment, a greater level of scrutiny and transparency must apply to private use of plant and equipment by Council employees.

Payment up front is required before Council employees hire Council plant and equipment. Further, authorisation by the relevant Supervisor is required prior to the hire period and the Supervisor is required to check the condition of the plant when it is returned.

Council employees are not covered by Council's Workers Compensation Insurance Policy during the term of the hire period.

Under no circumstances are Council employees permitted to use Council plant and equipment for commercial purposes or to make a private gain or benefit.

3.2.1 Plant Available for Hire by Council Employees

Only those plant items listed below are available for hire by Council employees. The applicable hire rate is as published in Council's Management Plan, which includes a component for the operator's hourly rate. If the grade of the hirer is higher than that of the normal operator the hourly hire charge will increase by the grade difference. The agreement form and conditions of hire are included in Attachment 2.0 to this policy.

- Backhoe
- Bobcat
- Grader
- Slasher
- Tractor
- Truck < 8T
- Truck 8 10T
- Truck > 20T

Minor Plant

- Concrete Mixer
- Vibrating Plate Compactor
- Wacker Packer

Attachment 1.0 – External Private Works PRIVATE WORKS AGREEMENT FORM

Job Details (To be completed by Supervisor)	IENI FORM	
Job Location		
Nature and Scope of Works (eg. Grade up internal road 1km long and install one set of pipes).		
The state of the s		
Plant and Labour Requirements (eg. One grader, tipper truck, b		
Estimated Job Duration.		
Client Details		
Name	Phone No.	
Postal Address	(h)	
	(mob)	
Client Agreement		
I / we		
Signature	Date	
Agreement Conditions		
1. The client is responsible for all direct costs associated with the private works job including 10% administration charge.		
2. The Client will undertake to disclose to Council's Supervisor and Operators, before the commencement of works, the existence of all pipes, cables and other such hazards known to the		
Client.	lated and the Client will inspect the	
 Council will notify the Client when the works have been works to ensure completion in accordance with Client ex 		
4. If the Client requires changes to the work after commence		
completed.Where plant is transported to undertake the works, the Client is responsible for all costs associated		
with transportation of labour, plant and equipment to and from the job.		
6. The General Manager or delegates, reserves the right to refuse to undertake private works.		
 The General Manager or delegates reserves the right to r works. 	equest payment prior to commencement of	
Job Completion		
I / We agree that the job has been completed in accordance with agreed scope of works.		
Signature	 Date	
Supervisor Name		
Supervisor Signature	Date	
Sundry Debtor / Job Number		

Attachment 2.0 – Internal Private Works – Hire of Council Plant and Equipment by Staff for Domestic Purposes

APPROVAL FORM FOR HIRE OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT BY COUNCIL EMPLOYEES

Plant Available for Hire by Staff

Backhoe, Bobcat, Grader, Slasher, Tractor, Truck < 8T, Truck 8 – 10 T, Truck >20T, Minor Plant (Concrete Mixer, Vibrating Plate Compactor, Wacker Packer)

Insurance excess payable in event of damage is \$500.

Conditions

- 1. All plant items listed above must be operated by the person who normally operates the plant item during work hours or a competent person approved by the Manager.
- 2. A plant and equipment hire approval form must be completed and signed by the employee, and the relevant Supervisor and Manager prior to the hire period. The plant return section of the form must be completed by the relevant Supervisor at the end of the hire period.
- 3. Payment of the expected plant hire fee must be made prior to the hire period.
- 4. The period of hire includes travel time to and from the works depot.
- 5. Plant and equipment hired by Council employees must be returned to the depot prior to start of normal work hours and in readiness for normal work.
- 6. The plant hire period must be recorded on the operator's timesheet. The plant hire must be recorded against a Sundry Debtor number created by Council's Finance Section.
- 7. In the event of accident or damage to the item of plant or equipment, the hirer is responsible for payment of Accident Damage Excess charge.
- 8. All accidents or damage must be reported to the Plant Supervisor immediately.
- 9. The hirer is not covered by Council's workers compensation policy during the period of hire.
- 10. If the grade of the hirer is higher than that of the normal operator, the hourly hire charge will increase by the grade difference.

Employee Details and Purpose of Hire				
Employee Name				
Plant Item and No.				
Purpose of Plant Hire				
Employee Signature Proposed Hire Period				
Start Date End Date				
No of Hours				
To be Completed Prior to Hire Period				
Payment Details To be Completed by Finance Section	Plant Inspection Prior to Hire Period To be Completed by Supervisor			
Estimated Cost of Plant Hire	Hour Meter Reading			
Sundry Debtor No.	Odometer Reading			
Payment Receipt No.	Supervisor Name			

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COOLAH ON THURSDAY, 20 MARCH 2008 COMMENCING AT 9.03AM PAGE 26

To be Completed by Supervisor on Return of Plant				
Hour Meter Reading Odometer Reading		Supervisor Name		
Does Plant Usage match Hire Period Is there any damage to Hired Plant	Yes / No Yes / No	Supervisor Signature		
Are any charges applicable If yes please detail and forward to relevan	Yes / No t Manager.	Please submit completed plant hire form to Manager for filing.		

Sullivan/Coe

DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

4.1 REQUESTS TO VARY ADOPTED 20072008 BUDGET CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ALLOCATIONS

283 RESOLVED:

That the proposals outlined below be approved and the necessary adjustments to the current financial year's budget be made.

i) Mendooran Pool Capital Expenditure

That the installation of playground equipment not proceed and instead the allocated funds be applied to the installation of a disabled access ramp and front façade upgrade. This upgrade would include handrails, repainting with a new colour scheme and a rain shelter over the front door and steps.

ii) Health Services Capital Expenditure

That a single serviceable food standard thermometer be acquired and the remaining \$1350 be reallocated to the Ordinance Services Capital Expenditure area for the purchase of two hand held microchip scanners.

Lewis/Connelly

4.2 PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN ALCOHOL FREE AREA - COONABARABRAN SKATE PARK

284 RESOLVED that Council resolve to ban alcohol in the Skate Park and surrounds at Coonabarabran Youth Club and authorise the erection of signs stating that alcohol is banned and a person who fails to comply with the terms of a notice erected by Council is guilty of an offence.

Sullivan/Dawson

4.3 WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COUNCIL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2008

Received.

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

5.1 MACQUARIE REGIONAL LIBRARY (MRL) ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND POSITION REVIEW

285 RESOLVED that Council accepts the recommendations relating to MRL Organisational Structure review in particular the flat line structure of Library Branch Managers reporting to the MRL Director, as currently in place remain and Baradine, Binnaway and Mendooran service points reporting to the Coonabarabran Library Branch Manager. **FURTHERMORE** that Council accepts the recommendations of the MRL review of positions in preparation of the 2008-2009 Management Plan.

Hill/Dawson

5.2 REMOTE AERODROME SAFETY PROGRAM – COOLAH and BARADINE

286 RESOLVED that Council authorise the General Manger to sign the Remote Aerodrome Safety Program Funding Agreement on behalf of Council, for the Coolah PAL Project for \$25,000.

Connelly/Sullivan

1.01PM

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Hill raised the following matters:

Closing and sealing of envelopes containing Councillors mail

Request that Council readvertise the water restrictions for Dunedoo

Question regarding timing of payment of funding to Development Groups for coordinator positions

Dunedoo Preschool lease

<u>Cr Coe</u> raised the following matters:

Resurfacing of Dunedoo Tennis courts – Club currently have shortfall – funding received – timing of payments impacting.

287 RESOLVED that Council grant the Dunedoo Tennis Club an interest free loan of Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) towards resurfacing costs of the courts for a period of up to ninety (90) days with repayment due by the expiration of that period.

Coe/Hill

Castlereagh Highway / Golden Highway signage – give way sign still not in place Private works – Cr Coe to speak directly to Director Technical Services

Cr Connolly raised the following matters:

Road issues – Cr Connelly to speak directly to Director Technical Services Invitation to Bowen Oval opening – 5 April 2008 at 12.00pm.

<u>Cr Dawson</u> raised the following matters:

Progress of closure of Boomley Road (Yarrawonga)

Public notice to communities detailing what council receives in rates and spends in each area

288 RESOLVED that draft public notices and costings for distribution to communities detailing rates income and expenditure for each town be prepared for consideration at the April meeting.

Dawson/Lewis

Cr Sullivan raised the following matters:

Issues regarding comments by Rod Young during forum presentation.

289 RESOLVED that Council refer objections to control of buffer zones and corridors on freehold land to the Local Government and Shires Association endorsing action by the alliance of the Association and NSW Farmers to submit objections to planning authorities.

Sullivan/Coe

Grain Terminal at Mendooran

Cr Shinton raised the following matter:

Action to date on dog buried in cemetery

<u>Director of Technical Services</u> raised the following matter

Private use of public land – blocked lanes in Dunedoo

290 RESOLVED that letters be forwarded to owners of properties requesting removal of fences and/or gates constructed across laneways in Dunedoo.

Coe/Todd

Update on Mendooran Water Treatment plant – outcome of tender process – need to consult communities.

<u>Cr Lewis</u> raised the following matters:

Requesting information regarding receipt of flood damage funds

Spraying of regrowth on sides of roads

Mow Creek – need for box culvert – for 2008/2009 budget consideration

Mowing of vacant blocks in Binnaway – northern end needs for attention.

Cr Egan raised the following matters:

Mowing of blocks in Binnaway

Naming of lane (right of way) off Racecourse Road – process to be investigated and formal request to be made to Council for permission to place sign

Cr Todd raised the following matters:

Directional signage for Showground

Removal of water from standpipe

291 RESOLVED that a report be submitted to Council's April meeting regarding access to standpipe at Baradine.

Todd/Coe

Castlereagh Macquarie County Council – seeding of shoulders following road works Rail bridge – tenders to be called

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Progress of enforcing sewerage connections in Baradine – report to be submitted to Council's April meeting.
<u>Director Corporate Services</u> raised the following matter: Councillor information and photographs for inclusion on the web page.
There being no further business the meeting closed at 1.48pm.
CHAIRMAN