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**PRESENT:** Cr Ray Lewis (Chair), Rebecca Ryan (Director Corporate Services), Fiona Luckhurst (Manager Social Services), Kevin Tighe (Director Technical Services), Steve Loane (General Manager), Tony Meppem (Director Environmental and Community Services), Max Neal, Anne Neal, Cliff Carter, Sydney Sauls, Lesley Sauls, Kevin Lloyd, Fred Sciberras, Shirley Zabynech, Brenda Jenkins, David Cook, Cherie Cook, Jenny Lloyd, Mike Asher.

**APOLOGIES:**

**MMTC 03 RECOMMENDATION** that the apologies of Cr Murray Coe, Cr Peter Shinton, Cr Kerry Campbell, Cr Denis Todd, Vicki Thompson, Judy Anderson, Helen Naef, Rusty Jones be accepted.

Jenny Lloyd/Fred Sciberras

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 7 NOVEMBER 2011**

**MMTC 04 RECOMMENDATION** that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2011 be confirmed.

Lesley Sauls/Jenny Lloyd

**BUSINESS ARISING**

Lack of Notification for Free Kerbside Pick Up - 5 March 2012

General Manager asked who heard about Pick up. Advertised in Coona Times, Dunedoo Diary

Solutions – Mendooran Lion's Pride or letterbox Drop

General Manager apologised and assumed the residents were advised will be investigated. Pick up will be done twice a year. Planned for August this year.

Cr Lewis – re: Waste Committee, feedback, cost savings, patterns for usage, sincerely hopes everyone hears next time.

General Manager – times for opening changed due to public requests. Apologise for not communicating.

Need a sign at the gate with what you can tip, how much.

Condition of Bandulla Street Outside the Post Office, Mendooran Hardware Store and Central Motors

Bandulla Street – shoulders

Post office, Hardware, Central Motors, CWA

Kerb and gutter lifted 3 inches? in sections, have not seen in 20 plus years

Plans for coming down 2-3 weeks time to rectify. On program

Thanked Director Technical Services, job completed on Mendooran Road.

Update on the Safety of Town Water – Boil Alert

Water boil alert

Director Environmental and Community Services – every week sample taken from worst site e.g dead end.

Problem was reservoir

Communicate when boil alert stops or is over – advert in next Mendooran Lions Pride.

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A new Water Manager employed. An extra person will be employed in Mendooran Supervisor.

Uneven Pavement Outside the CWA Op Shop

Responses to residents - acknowledgement has not happened, a few examples (refer to Corporate Services)

Were provided of letters not being responded to or acknowledged.

Draft Community Strategic Plan

Draft CSP – on public exhibition for community comment. Integrated Planning and

Council 2012/2013 Budget (Operational Plan)

Submissions from Public

Cemetery needs more up keep, rubbish tins half full and running over, grass very high.

Mendooran to Dubbo Road

Shed at corner of main street is unsightly to main street - Falling down, Tin flying everywhere, How is it allowed someone can live in it?

Referred to Director Environmental and Community Services to investigate

Question: can residents undertake lawn mowing along Riverbank and Camping Ground. General Manager – Lawn mowing can be inducted as volunteers by Council Approval as a volunteer. If could be maintained, will attract tourists.

Boat Ramp

Duke of Edinburgh Award and development

Canoeing – river is greatest unused asset.

To get down to river, 8 foot drop, risky, not easy

Every camper has a tinny on top.

If could access river safely, clear reeds, clear garbage, could launch boat

Boat ramp used to be on junction of Castlereagh and Merrygoen Creek.

Wrote to Council 6 weeks ago, (2) no one has received acknowledgement (\*)

Grant for Improvement to River banks – Development Coordinator investigating

Even when river is low, kayaks can be used on the river

Keen to have a working group

Men's Shed

Enquiry as to land or shed availability in Mendooran

Invitation to attend Coonabarabran Mens Shed opening.

Manusu Drive

School bus entering sign

School bus route signs

Budget for sealing, particularly sealing Cobbora Road? When is it on the program  
Causeway under water

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'C' Division conference – addressed by CLCMA – fisheries are involved  
No signage – warning, road closed  
Road being sealed to the northern end

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Cobbora Coal

Joe Barnett – forums in Shire

General Manager will talk to Jo, re: forums meant to happen in March

Grandchester Bridge

Director Technical Services joint venture between Gilgandra and Warrumbungle  
Shires who have committed to jointly funding  
Council doing some drilling, tests on soil  
GSC – turn to do the maintenance.

Load limit on Beni Crossing? No

RSL – application to close Bandulla Street. Letter going out today, approval given

Next Meeting: November 2012

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.20pm.

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Chairperson