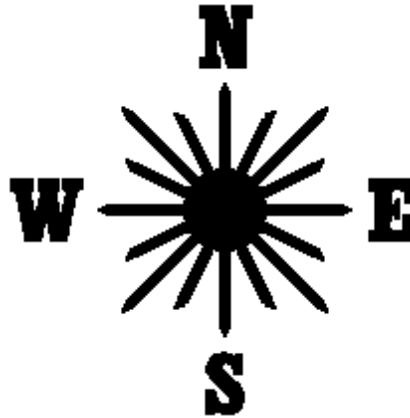


Mission Statement

To promote the Central Darling Shire area by encouraging development through effective leadership, community involvement and facilitation of services

CENTRAL DARLING



SHIRE COUNCIL

Agenda

For the Ordinary Meeting

Wednesday 25 May 2016 at 9:00am

In the Council Chambers

Wilcannia

Council dedicated to serving its Communities

Any public discussion of Council or Committee reports and recommendations is on the basis that such reports or recommendations do not have effect until adopted by a full meeting of Council.

The Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Chambers, Wilcannia on Wednesday 25 May 2016 commencing at 9:00am.

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SECTION 1. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

Greg Wright	Administrator
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ALSO PRESENT:

Michael Boyd	General Manager
Reece Wilson	Director Shire Services
Jacob Philp	Director Business Services

SECTION 2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Disclosures of Interest – Pecuniary and Non Pecuniary be received and noted.

SECTION 3. PUBLIC ACCESS – QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Council's policy in regards to public access to Council Meetings states:

- Public Access to monthly meetings of Council will be listed as an agenda item
- Each member of the public who wishes to address Council is to register with Management prior to commencement of the meeting; this registration will involve the completion of a "registration form" made available by council staff. The registration form will require the proposed topic or topics in public access to be stated
- Each address will be limited to five (5) minutes, at the discretion of the Chair
- All matters raised in public access will be recorded with a response provided at the meeting or in writing within one month of the meeting date

Note: the registration form provided by council will indicate that only policy making and strategic matters will be permitted in public access; operational matters should be addressed/ raised separately with the General Manager. In addition, the registration form will state that statements made at council meetings are not subject to parliamentary privilege.

SECTION 4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RECOMMENDATION:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on the 19 April 2016, be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings of the meeting.

4.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

SECTION 5. ADMINISTRATOR'S MINUTE REPORT

To be tabled

SECTION 6. DETERMINATION REPORTS

6.1 DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN AND BUDGET 2016/17

Summary

The purpose of this report is to present to Council the Draft Operational Plan and Budget for the 2016/2017 financial year and seek endorsement for the draft documents to be adopted and approved for public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

Commentary

The Draft Annual Operating Plan 2016/2017 is required to outline the activities Council proposes to undertake in the upcoming year (2016/17), as part of its delivery program. The document also includes Council's proposed revenue policy and budget estimates for the 2016/17 year.

The Draft Plan has been prepared on the basis of continuing to address the Council's current financial strategy of delivering ongoing trading surpluses and to ensure that Council does not return to a negative cash overdraft level. In recent times, this has seen the reduction in some service levels to consciously address the negative trading position, but this Draft Operational Plan attempts to continue to redress some of that imbalance.

This report is to advise that the draft plan and budget documentation will be provided under separate cover prior to the Council meeting as the document is still being prepared at the time of the distribution of the agenda. The draft documents will be uploaded to Council's website as soon as they are available prior to the meeting.

(a) Policy Implications

Provision of the Draft Report and Budget will reflect that Council continues to responsibly address its current financial position, and in so doing, acknowledges that from time to time, it cannot necessarily meet all its previous financial commitments or services levels contained within its current Policy Manual or indeed, financial commitments given by previous Councils.

(b) Financial Implications

The financial implications will be contained in the report when tabled.

(c) Legal Implications

Provision of the Report ensures compliance with the provisions of Section 405 of the Local Government Act 1993

(d) Community Consultation

Following adoption of the draft Operational Plan and Budget 2016/17, the document will be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days in accordance with the provisions of Section 405 and 532 of the Local Government Act 1993. This will provide Community Consultation, with the community able to forward submissions to Council on the Operational Plan content/ proposals. Those submissions will be considered as part of the adoption of the final Operational Plan. In that regard it is proposed to present a further report to the Meeting of Council on a date to be set for purposes of finalizing the Operational Plan 2016/17 and associated processes.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Adopt the Draft 2016-17 Operational Plan and Budget and endorse it for public exhibition for a period of 28 days.***
- 2. In accordance with the direction from the Minister of Local Government, the Hon. Paul Toole, contained in Circular 16-11 dated 22 April 2016, adopt the 1.8% rate pegging limit increase for the 2016-17 financial year.***
- 3. In accordance with the direction from the Minister of Local Government, the Hon. Paul Toole, contained in Circular 16-11 dated 22 April 2016, adopt an interest rate of 8.0% per annum for overdue rates and charges for the 2016-17 financial year.***
- 4. At the conclusion of the public exhibition period a meeting of Council be held to consider any submissions made concerning the Draft Plan and adopt the final Operational Plan.***
- 5. The General Manager be authorised to make any minor changes to the Draft Plan for exhibition purposes, if required.***

6.2 QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT – JANUARY 2016 TO MARCH 2016

Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a quarterly budget review in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

Commentary

Regulation 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 provides a requirement that:

(1) Not later than 2 months after the end of each quarter (except the June quarter), the responsible accounting officer of a council must prepare and submit to the council a budget review statement that shows, by reference to the estimate of income and expenditure set out in the statement of the council's revenue policy included in the operational plan for the relevant year, a revised estimate of the income and expenditure for that year.

(2) A budget review statement must include or be accompanied by:

- (a) a report as to whether or not the responsible accounting officer believes that the statement indicates that the financial position of the council is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimate of income and expenditure, and
- (b) if that position is unsatisfactory, recommendations for remedial action.

This report is to advise that the budget review documentation will be provided under separate cover prior to the Council meeting as the document is still being prepared at the time of the distribution of the agenda.

(b) Policy Implications

Nil

(b) Financial Implications

The financial implications will be referred to in the report.

(c) Legal Implications

Provision of the report will evidence that Council continues to meet its legislative responsibilities relating to the Calendar of Compliance and Reporting Requirements as prepared by the Division of Local Government, NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet.

(d) Community Consultation

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council receive and note the Quarterly Budget Review in accordance with Regulation 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005***
- 2. Authorise the required variations to the Operational Plan and Budget adopted by Council on 20 June 2015***
- 3. Note that the revised projected surplus/deficit for the financial year 2015/16 is (TBA) surplus.***

6.3 CALENDAR OF COMPLIANCE AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS 2015/16 – MARCH 2016 TO MAY 2016

Summary

The purpose of this report is for Council to be updated on progress on the Compliance and Reporting Requirements 2015/16 for the months of March 2016 to May 2016.

Commentary

The Calendar of Compliance and Reporting Requirements is a document prepared by the Division of Local Government, NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet, to assist Shires in meeting their legislative reporting requirements under the provisions of various items of impacting legislation.

In the past, various external reports on the Shire's performance have been critical of the Shire's failure to adequately undertake the necessary completion of the legislative Compliance and Reporting Requirements; provision of this report at this and future monthly meetings of Council will evidence that these past failures are not re-occurring.

Date for Compliance	Subject	Comment
30 April	Fourth quarter rates instalment notice to be sent (s.562).	Sent 12 April 2016
30 April	Public Sector Bodies to provide Council with a list of parcels of land to which rate rebate applies (S.600)	Nil
16 May	LIRS claim period for all projects approved for funding	Not applicable
17 May	Fourth instalment of Financial Assistance Grants.	Received 17 May
31 May	Last day for RAO to submit QBRs review to Council (LGGR cl.203(1)).	Tabled May 2016 Council meeting
31 May	Fourth quarterly rates instalment due (s.562).	Instalment notices sent 12 April 2016
31 May	Request to Valuer General for estimates of changes in value of land for supplementary valuations (S.513)	Request sent
Monthly	Responsible Accounting Officer (RAO) to prepare a written report for Council on money invested under S 625	Report provided to monthly Council meetings as required
Monthly	RAO should report actual material budget variances from the budget at the following Council meeting (LGGR cl. 202b)	Report provided to monthly Council meetings as required

(a) Policy Implications

Nil

(b) Financial Implications

Nil

(c) Legal Implications

Provision of the report on a monthly cycle will evidence that Council is meeting its legislative responsibilities relating to the Calendar of Compliance and Reporting Requirements as prepared by the Division of Local Government, NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet.

(d) Community Consultation

Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council note the ongoing progress for March 2016 to May 2016 on the Compliance and Reporting Requirements 2015/16.

6.4 SECTION 355 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP REVIEW

Summary

The purpose of this report is for Council to review the appointment of members of Council's Section 355 Committees in accordance with Council Policy.

Commentary

Section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993 enables the Council to appoint community members to committees of Council whose primary task is to manage functions of the Council. Generally this is achieved by the appointment of community members to assist the Council in managing community assets, but can also be used as a method to ensure community input into other functions of the Council.

At Council's December 2014 Council meeting, authorisation was given for the General Manager to undertake a review of the Section 355 Committees of Council by way of expression of interest advertisements.

In April and May 2015, Council considered the expressions of Interest and appointed community members to the various committees for a period of 12 months, indicating at that time that it may be more appropriate that the term of appointment, in future, coincide with the ordinary election dates provided in Section 287 of the Local Government Act 1993 i.e. September 2016 and then every four (4) years.

To assist in ascertaining the appointed members interest in being re-appointed for a period of up to 4 years, correspondence was forwarded early April 2016 to Committee members seeking Expression of Interest. Additionally, contact was made with the current Chairpersons of the Committees regarding those current members who had not replied by the due date of 22 April 2016 and to ascertain if the Committee wished to nominate additional community members for appointment to the relevant Committee. It is noted that some of the existing appointees have responded that they do not wish to be reappointed – some have indicated that they have relocated elsewhere, others have indicated other interests which preclude their continuing commitment to the Committee(s) work.

It is proposed that the following community members be appointed to the respective Section 355 Committees:

- DARNICK HALL & SPORTS COMMITTEE
 - Trish Palmer
 - Ian Vagg
 - Ian Edson
 - Trudy Edson
 - Max Bradley
 - Clayton Griffiths
 - Edward Rees
 - Shiralee Palmer
 - Tom Palmer

- IVANHOE REVIVAL COMMITTEE
 - Faye Linnett
 - Clive Linnett
 - Fay Johnstone
 - Jan Longfellow
 - Raymond Longfellow

- IVANHOE HALL COMMITTEE
 - Clive Linnett
 - Fay Linnett
 - Jan Longfellow
 - Raymond Longfellow

- IVANHOE SALEYARDS COMMITTEE
 - Clive Linnett
 - John G Vagg
 - Ian Edson
 - Trudy Edson
 - Geoff McDougall
 - Christopher Stanmore

- IVANHOE SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE
 - Vanessa PALMER
 - Fred PALMER
 - Kelly SCOTT
 - Gary O'DWYER

- MENINDEE COMMON COMMITTEE
 - Craig Symonds
 - Janette Jones
 - Murray Jones
 - Jason Morris
 - Robert Looney
 - Joanne Looney
 - Lorraine Looney

- MENINDEE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
 - Denis Standley
 - Tim Walter
 - Paul Roberts
 - Jack Hanford
 - Dean Brereton
 - Maree Roberts
 - Julie Barwick
 - Mark Barwick
 - Stuart McIntosh

- WHITE CLIFFS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
 - Fran Schonberg
 - Margaret Anne Baker
 - Robyn Taylor
 - Graham Wellings
 - Ron Dowton
 - Sue Dowton
 - Rob Dyson
 - Maxine Wellings
 - Shirley Dyson

- WHITE CLIFFS HALL COMMITTEE
 - Robyn Taylor
 - Ron Dowton
 - Clair Inness
 - Sue Dowton
 - Irmhild Bakker
 - Enid Black
 - Jurgen Hecht
 - Cree Marshall
 - Margaret Anne Baker

- WHITE CLIFFS SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE
 - Richard (Dick) Wagner
 - Hayley Atkins
 - Robyn Taylor
 - Cree Marshall
 - Jane Stevenson
 - Jenny Hayes

- WILCANNIA CEMETERY COMMITTEE
 - Deidre Sammon
 - Bill Elliott
 - Chris Elliott
 - Shirley Evans
 - Alice (Germaine) Bates
 - John Pineo
 - Sereima (Emma) Koli Vuakatagane

(a) Policy Implications

Appointment of the Committees will ensure Council complies with the provisions of the Act and it's policy.

(b) Financial Implications

Members of S355 Committees are generally not paid but may seek reimbursement of expenses. At the present time, the Council is not in a position to consider reimbursement except on a case by case basis. Committees, by resolution and from retained funds, can agree to reimburse expenditure relevant to the Committee's Terms of Reference.

(c) Legal Implications

Appointment of the Committees will ensure Council complies with the provisions of the Act.

(d) Community Consultation

Advertisements seeking interested persons to be considered and appointed to the Committees were originally placed in accordance with the report to Council in December 2014. Correspondence was forwarded early April 2016 to Committee members seeking Expression of Interest. Additionally, contact was made with the current Chairpersons of the Committees regarding those current members who had not replied by the due date of 22 April 2016 and to ascertain if the Committee wished to nominate additional community members for appointment to the relevant Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council appoint the following residents to the respective S355 Committees for a period to coincide with the ordinary election dates provided in Section 287 of the Local Government Act 1993 i.e. until September 2020:

- ***DARNICK HALL & SPORTS COMMITTEE***
 - ***Trish Palmer***
 - ***Ian Vagg***
 - ***Ian Edson***
 - ***Trudy Edson***
 - ***Max Bradley***
 - ***Clayton Griffiths***
 - ***Edward Rees***
 - ***Shiralee Palmer***
 - ***Tom Palmer***
 - ***Kylie Palmer***

- **IVANHOE REVIVIAL COMMITTEE**
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 - *Janette Jones*
 - *Murray Jones*
 - *Jason Morris*
 - *Robert Looney*
 - *Joanne Looney*
 - *Lorraine Looney*

- **MENINDEE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

- *Denis Standley*
- *Tim Walter*
- *Paul Roberts*
- *Jack Hanford*
- *Dean Brereton*
- *Maree Roberts*
- *Julie Barwick*
- *Mark Barwick*
- *Stuart McIntosh*

- **WHITE CLIFFS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

- *Fran Schonberg*
- *Margaret Anne Baker*
- *Robyn Taylor*
- *Graham Wellings*
- *Ron Dowton*
- *Sue Dowton*
- *Rob Dyson*
- *Maxine Wellings*
- *Shirley Dyson*

- **WHITE CLIFFS HALL COMMITTEE**

- *Robyn Taylor*
- *Ron Dowton*
- *Clair Inness*
- *Sue Dowton*
- *Irmhild Bakker*
- *Enid Black*
- *Jurgen Hecht*
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- *Margaret Anne Baker*

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- *Richard (Dick) Wagner*
- *Hayley Atkins*
- *Robyn Taylor*
- *Cree Marshall*
- *Jane Stevenson*
- *Jenny Hayes*

- **WILCANNIA CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

- *Deidre Sammon*
- *Bill Elliott*
- *Chris Elliott*
- *Shirley Evans*
- *Alice (Germaine) Bates*
- *John Pineo*
- *Sereima (Emma) Koli Vuakatagane*

SECTION 7. INFORMATION REPORTS

7.1 INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1.1 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES STATISTICS

<u>Statistics for April 2016</u>		
Number of DA's Approved		0
Total Value of DA's Approved		0
Food Premises Inspected		0
Animal Control Activities	Impounded	12
	Rehomed	6
	Returned to Owner	2
	Euthanized	4
	Registrations	0
	Microchipped	0
	Penalty Notices Issued	0
Water Sampling	Microbiology Samples Collected	6
	Chemistry Samples Collected	0
	Non-Compliant Samples	0

7.1.2 ROAD GRADING PROGRAM

ATTACHMENT 1

The Yearly Grading Program has been included to enable Council to follow the progress of the grading crews working throughout the Shire. Any changes will be presented on a monthly basis.

7.1.3 RESTART NSW, WATER SECURITIES FOR REGIONS

The Wilcannia and Ivanhoe Bore Field Augmentation Project is progressing in accordance with the required timeline taking into account the approved extension of time by NSW Infrastructure. Telemetry (Indratel P/L) works commenced on Monday 2nd May 2016 and will be completed within 4 weeks. Bore headworks have been substantially completed and preliminary testing has commenced. Clarification of the scope of works with respect to telemetry for the existing bores is being sought from the contractor (Darling Irrigation P/L) and further advice will be provided in this regard in due course.

Watsons Drilling P/L have been engaged to undertake the White Cliffs Test Bore and will commence work in this regard in mid May 2016.

7.1.4 RESTART NSW, REGIONAL WATER AND WASTEWATER BACKLOG

NSW Water Solutions has been engaged to complete the next stage of the pre-construction phase of the Ivanhoe, Wilcannia and White Cliffs Augmentation Project and complete options reports for these facilities at these locations. These studies will build upon the scoping reports completed by CWT P/L. On completion of the options studies further consideration will be given to engagement of suitable consultant/contractor to complete remaining pre-construction activities with respect to concept design, D&C Specification and tender documentation with an overall completion deadline of June 2017.

These studies are funded 100% pursuant to the Restart Program, Regional Water and Backlog Program and targeted at pre-construction activities only.

Further to NSW Infrastructure invitation to complete the application for construction funding of the White Cliffs WTP and its backlog project status, Council has submitted the required additional reporting comprised of a comprehensive Benefit Cost Analysis and a statement concerning Council's financial capacity and claim for enhanced funding beyond the standard 50% limit. It is hoped that a decision on additional funding beyond the 50% limit from NSW Infrastructure will enable any "shovel ready" project to commence in the July 2017.

7.1.5 ROADS REPORT

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the roads expenditure to date.

State Roads:

- 2015/2016 RMCC works estimated cost for Routine Maintenance Works on both highways is \$740,000.
- 4 Works Orders (WO) have been received to date totalling \$1,133,398. The 4 WO received are; 111.16.01 Sh21 Shoulder Grading \$16,591.52, 111.16.02 Sh8 Heavy patching \$214,911.71, 111.16.03 Sh8 reseals \$683,147.45 111.16.04 Sh21 reseals \$141,724.68 and 111.16.05 Sh21b gravel resheet \$200,157.68. **Total \$1,256,533.04**
- Euralla Initial Seal Project – RMS have provided Council with 4 Works Orders relating to the Cobb Highway project 111.16.06 Water Supply Works \$39,169.80 111.16.07 Water Supply Works \$17,588.40 111.16.08 Gravel Pit Registration \$36,124.53 and 111.16.09 Culvert Works \$349,827.72. **Total \$442,710.45**

	Original Budget	% Completed	Remaining Budget
RMCC (Routine Works)	\$740,000	79%	\$155,954
RMCC (Ordered Works)	\$1,256,533	100%	\$0
Euralla IS Project	\$442,710	76%	\$106,303

Regional Roads:

- 2015/16 Regional Road Block Grant amount (including traffic and supplementary components) is \$2,642,000
- \$515,000 is allocated to Regional Road Reseals (Capital Improvements)

	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Regional Road Block Grant	\$2,642,000	64%	\$952,397

Local Roads:

- 2015/16 Indicative Local Roads Component (FAG) has been advised \$1,480,000. Adjustments will still need to be made that take into account the revised funding levels and population adjustments.
- Council's allocated budget amount is \$1,000,000
- 2015/16 Roads to Recovery allocation has been increased this year to \$2,006,663. This funding will be allocated to Local Road improvement projects.

	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Local Roads Component (FAG)	\$1,000,000	86%	\$136,581
Roads to Recovery	\$2,006,663	64%	\$731,560

7.1.6 SERVICES

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the services expenditure to date.

	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Parks & Gardens/ Sporting Facilities	\$178,000	71%	\$51,046
Ancillary Works	\$158,000	83%	\$27,290
Street Cleaning/ Bins	\$110,000	80%	\$21,735

Aerodromes	\$52,250	82%	\$9,487
Public Conveniences	\$34,000	67%	\$11,064
Swimming Pools	\$322,500	92%	\$28,148
Waste Depots	\$136,100	45%	\$61,329

Water & Sewerage Maintenance:

- Wilcannia town water supply is being sourced from the Darling River Weir Pool. Level 1 Water restrictions remain in place due to cease of flow over the weir crest. Estimated supply remaining is 6 months.
- White Cliffs town water supply is sourced from above ground tanks, current levels: Tank 1 =3.9m, Tank 2 =3.8m, Tank 3 (Wakefield) = 5.7m. White Cliffs remain on Level 2 water restrictions effective from Monday 15th February. Estimated supply remaining is 7 months.
- Ivanhoe town water supply is currently being sourced from the Morrison’s Lake reservoir. Morrison’s Lake storage is currently 200 megalitres, town storage dam 40 megalitres. Estimated supply remaining is 8 months.

	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Wilcannia Water	\$317,000	100%	\$0
Wilcannia Sewer	\$120,500	90%	\$12,190
White Cliffs Water	\$134,000	70%	\$40,209
Ivanhoe Water	\$183,000	91%	\$17,349

7.1.7 CAPITAL WORKS

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the capital works and projects expenditure to date.

Project	Comments	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Aboriginal Communities Water and Sewer	Minor reduction in annual funding amount reflects reduced operating costs of the water and sewer system following recent augmentation.	\$105,865	29%	\$75,360
Sunset Strip Drainage	Low lying areas adjacent to road and properties have been surveyed and draft design completed. (Carried forward from 2014/15)	\$10,000	99%	\$83
Restart NSW – Water Security	Start Dec 2014. Tilpa, White Cliffs, Wilcannia and Ivanhoe Project value \$1M (\$174,400 expended in 2014/15)	\$825,600	50%	\$411,673
Restart NSW – Preconstruction activities	Pre-construction activities Training	\$1,000,000 \$200,000	2% 45%	\$975,892 \$111,205
Landfill Consolidation Grant	Due for completion December 2015	\$80,000	100%	\$0
Wilcannia Boat Ramp	Postponed pending Weir Feasibility Study	\$85,000	0%	\$85,000

7.1.8 INVESTMENTS AND BANK BALANCES

Schedule of Investments and Bank Balances as at 30 April 2016

	Amount	
Cash Reserve		
Westpac Business Cash Reserve	\$565,000	
Total Reserve Balance as at 30 April 2016	\$565,000	
Bank Balances as at 30 April 2016		
General Fund	\$256,896	In Funds
Clearing Account (Account used for receiving deposits)	\$14,171	In Funds
Total Cash at Bank	\$836,068	
Cash Restrictions		
Internal Restrictions	\$260,000	
External Restrictions	\$280,000	
Total Restrictions	\$540,000	

SECTION 8. THE RECEIPT OF REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

SECTION 9. URGENT BUSINESS

SECTION 10. CONFIDENTIAL MEETING

CLOSED COUNCIL Confidential Reports (Section 10A (2) of the Local Government Act 1993)

Where it is proposed to close part of the Meeting, the Chairperson will allow members of the public to make representation to or at the meeting, before any part of the meeting is closed to the public, as to whether or not that part of the meeting should be closed to the public. The Chairperson will check with the General Manager whether any written public submissions or representations have been received as to whether or not that part of the meeting should be closed to the public.

The grounds on which part of the Council meeting may be closed to public are listed in Section 10A (2) of the Local Government Act 1993 and are as follows:

- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals other than Councillors,
- (b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer,
- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business,
- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council, or
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret.
- (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law,
- (f) matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property,
- (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege.
- (h) during the receipt of information or discussion of information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.

Section 10A (3) of the Act provides that if a meeting is closed during discussion of a motion to close another part of the meeting to the public (as referred to in section 10A (3) of the Act), the consideration of the motion must not include any consideration of the matter or information to be discussed in that other part of the meeting (other than consideration of whether the matter concerned is matter referred to in section 10A (2) of the Act).

Section 10B (1) of the Act provides that a meeting is not to remain closed to the public during the receipt of information or the discussion of matter referred to in section 10A (2):

- (a) except for so much of the discussion as is necessary to preserve the relevant confidentiality, privilege or security, and

(b) if the matter concerned is a matter other than a personnel matter concerning particular individuals, the personal hardship of a resident or ratepayer or a trade secret – unless the Council or committee concerned is satisfied that discussion of the matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

For the purpose of determining whether the discussion of a matter in an open meeting would be contrary to the public interest section 10B (4) of the Act states it is irrelevant that:

- (a) a person may interpret or misunderstand the discussion, or
- (b) the discussion of the matter may:
 - (i) cause embarrassment to the Council or committee concerned, or to Councillors or to employees of the Council, or
 - (ii) cause a loss of confidence in the Council or committee.

Resolutions passed in Closed Council

It is a requirement of Clause 253 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 that any resolution passed in Closed Council, or Committee be made public as soon as practicable after the meeting has ended. At the end of Closed Council or Committee meeting, the Chairperson will provide a summary of those resolutions passed in Closed Council or Committee.

SECTION 11. DATE AND VENUE FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Council will be held on 22 June 2016 in Wilcannia at 9:00am.
