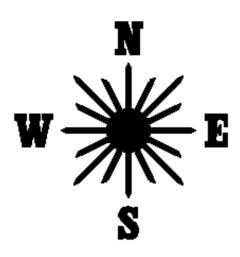
CENTRAL DARLING



SHIRE COUNCIL

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING BUSINESS PAPER 25 MARCH 2020

The Meeting will be held at 9.00am externally from the Administrators residence, 37 Green Lane, Orange NSW 2800. Video link can be viewed from the Council Chambers, 21 Reid Street, Wilcannia NSW 2836

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

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- 19. When addressing the Council, speakers at public forums must comply with this code and all other relevant Council codes, policies and procedures. Speakers must refrain from engaging in disorderly conduct, publicly alleging breaches of the Council's Code of Conduct or making other potentially defamatory statements.

- 20. If the Chairperson considers that a speaker at a public forum has engaged in conduct of the type referred to in Clause 4.19, the Chairperson may request the person to refrain from the inappropriate behaviour and to withdraw and unreservedly apologise for any inappropriate comments. Where the speaker fails to comply with the Chairperson's request, the Chairperson may immediately require the person to stop speaking.
- 21. Clause 4.20 does not limit the ability of the Chairperson to deal with disorderly conduct by speakers at public forums in accordance with the provisions of Part 14 of this code.
- 22. Where a speaker engages in conduct of the type referred to in Clause 4.19, the General Manager or their delegate may refuse further applications from that person to speak at public forums for such a period as the General Manager or their delegate considers appropriate.
- 23. Councillors (including the Mayor) must declare and manage any conflicts of interest they may have in relation to any item of business that is the subject of an address at a public forum, in the same way that they are required to do so at a Council or Committee meeting. The Council is to maintain a written record of all conflict of interest declarations made at public forums and how the conflict of interest was managed by the Councillor who made the declaration.

CENTRAL DARLING



ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 25 March 2020 9.00am Council Chambers 37 Green Lane, Orange NSW 2800

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1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Council Meeting will be declared open by the Mayor/Administrator.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay respects to Elders past and present.

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

NIL

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Pursuant to the Model Code of Conduct for Local Councils in NSW Councillors and Council staff are required to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary conflicts of interest.

Recommendation:

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

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 ORDINARY MEETING – 26 FEBRUARY 2020

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 February 2020 be received and confirmed as an accurate record.

Attachments:

1. Ordinary Meeting Minutes – 26 February 2020

5.2 BUSINESS ARISING

NIL

6. MAYORAL (ADMINISTRATOR) MINUTE(S)

6.1 ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

REPORT AUTHOR: ADMINISTRATOR **RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:** ADMINISTRATOR

Water has dominated my time over the last month as we have sought to understand the Governments response to flows in the Darling River. It was with delight we welcomed the embargo on pumping, but this was short lived when the Department lifted the embargo to permit extraction of flows below the Culgoa River.

We joined with Wentworth and Broken Hill Minister against the decision.

The arrival of the flows Wilcannia and at Menindee was great news.

The Minister and Department have committed to a connected flow down the Darling with sufficient water to be retained at Menindee. We will continue to monitor the situation over the coming weeks and months.

COVID-19 continues to impact the Nation and Council staff have put in place its Business Continuity Plan to ensure continued operations and services. As the situation emerges, we must be prepared for service disruption at some stage. The State has requested for Council to restrict all unnecessary travel. It is important that all follow the advice coming from our Public Health officials over the coming weeks and months.

This meeting will be conducted by Video links given Council is in Administration.

The Western Division Conference to be held in Broken Hill has been cancelled given the potential risk.

During the month I was invited to participate in a Strategic Planning Workshop by the Murray Darling Association and a copy of my delegates report is attached.

Attachments

2. MDA Strategic Planning Workshop delegates report.

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

7.1 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – MENINDEE REGIONAL TOURIST ASSOCIATION

REPORT AUTHOR:	ACTING RATES OFFICER
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	DIRECTOR BUSINESS SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement for the request from Menindee Regional Tourism Association for assistance to cover the 2019-20 annual rates and charges on the associations property at 27 Yartla Street Menindee.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. That Council endorse assistance to the Menindee Regional Tourism Association in the amount of \$980.46 to cover the annual rates and charges levied on its premises in Menindee for the 2019-20 period.

BACKGROUND:

Council's Community Grants policy was adopted by Council at its Ordinary meeting on 27 February 2019. That policy provides for Council to provide financial assistance to not-forprofit community-based organisations, groups and individuals that meet community needs and to benefit residents within our community. The policy also provides that in-kind support for the waiver of rates, fees, charges and goods is considered financial assistance within this policy and therefore may be eligible for consideration.

The Menindee Regional Tourist Association operates from premises located at 27 Yartla Street Menindee. The association provides invaluable information to tourists about attractions in the area, providing an essential service for the promotion of tourism-based businesses in the Menindee area. The association's operation is dependent upon a team of volunteers to sustain its continuance.

REPORT:

The Menindee Regional Tourist Association has requested financial assistance to cover the annual rates and charges levied on its premises in Menindee. The amount of the levy payable by the association is \$980.46.

The first and second instalments, due in August 2019 and November 2019 respectively, have been paid by the association whilst the third and fourth instalments, due 28 February 2020 and 31 May 2020 respectively, remain unpaid.

The Community Grants policy requires applicants to meet certain criteria including that it has no outstanding debts of any kind to Council. Whilst that criteria is not fully satisfied, in regards to the unpaid third instalment, it should be noted that the application for assistance was made on 13 February 2020 i.e. before that instalment was due for payment.

The policy also requires applications to be submitted on Council's pro forma application form. That criteria has not been satisfied however it is believed this requirement may not have been properly communicated. It is proposed to communicate the requirements to the association when communicating Council's decision on the current application.

All other criteria of the policy have been met.

LINKS TO THE COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN AND DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

Community Strategic Plan Outcome

Goal 2.1 Expansion of industries and growth in businesses

Goal 2.2 Employment growth

Delivery Outcome

Objective 2 - Sustainable economic development of Shire towns

SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT:

	Positive	Negative
Social	Promote a positive image through the support of a volunteer-based organisation	Nil
Environmental	Nil	Nil
Economic	Support and promote tourism activity to increase business activity and employment	Nil
Governance	Nil	Nil

Financial and Resource Implications:

Expenditure for the assistance sought is provided for within the 2019-20 budget

Policy, Legal and Statutory Implications:

Assistance is permitted under Section 356 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Application satisfies criteria set out in Council's Community Grants policy except for a minor variance in the application format.

Risk Management – Business Risk/Work Health and Safety/Public:

No risks identified.

OPTIONS:

Given the application meets all criteria (except a minor condition regarding the format of the application itself) there is no option but to approve the request.

COUNCIL SEAL REQUIRED:

No

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION:

Internal Exhibition None required

External Exhibition None required

Attachments

3. Menindee Regional Tourist Association – application for assistance.

8. GOVERNANCE REPORTS

8.1 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED – TABLED FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION

REPORT AUTHOR:	GENERAL MANAGER
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	GENERAL MANAGER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Recent correspondence received by the General Manager has been tabled as Public Information.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report

REPORT:

Correspondence received Gino Cavallaro, Executive Director ePlanning, following a letter Council sent to Minister Adam Marshall seeking funding assistance to update Urban and Rural Addressing throughout the Shire. Subsequently, Council letter was forward onto Hon Rob Stokes MP, Minster for Planning and Public Spaces for a response. The response letter to Council does not offer any funding assistance to update Council's urban and rural addressing issues; however, does offer assistance once this work has been completed. Council is not in financial position or does not have the resources to undertake this work and would need to engage a consultant in in doing so. The General Manager and Administrator will continue to lobby State Government for funding to enable emergency service workers to locate residents who need of urgent assistance.

Email received from Michael van den Bos, Geographical Names Board on Wednesday 11 March advising Council of their decision regarding dual naming of the Darling River as Baaka. The Geographical Names Board, at its meeting on 10 March 2020, resolved to make a recommendation to the Minister to assign the dual name Baaka, for the entire length of the river.

Attachments

- 4. Planning Industry and Environment
- 5. Email -Dual Naming the Darling River as Baaka

8.2 MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

REPORT AUTHOR:	GENERAL MANAGER
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	GENERAL MANAGER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The information provided is meetings and workshops which the General Manager has attended up to February's Council meeting. The report excludes staff meetings and other confidential discussions that the General Manager has been involved.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report

REPORT:

Wednesday 3 March -	Tourism Launch by Designation NSW (Broken Hill)
Wednesday 4 March -	Sport and Recreation - Mark Norton
	DPIE (Teleconference)
Tuesday 10 March -	Murray Darling Association Region 4 - (Buronga)
Thursday 12 March -	Transport NSW- Alistair Lunn (Broken Hill) Baaka Culture Centre Project Control meeting
Tuesday 17 March -	Health of the River Forum (Menindee)
Wednesday 18 March -	Combined South and North Joint Organisation meeting (Broken Hill)
Thursday 19 March -	Far West Joint Organisation Board Meeting (Broken Hill) Meeting with MP Pavey (Broken Hill) Baaka Culture Centre General Meeting
Friday 20 March -	Regional Development Australia Far West Board meeting (Broken Hill)
Monday 23 March -	Menindee Native Fish Hatchery Working Group (Menindee)

<u>Attachments</u>

Nil

8.3 NRMA ELECTRIC VEHICLE FAST CHARGER

REPORT AUTHOR:	GENERAL MANAGER
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	GENERAL MANAGER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to inform Council and endorse for the General Manager to enter into a Non-binding "Letter of Intent".

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

- 1. Receive the report
- 2. Endorse the General Manager to enter into a Non-binding "Letter of Intent".

BACKGROUND:

Late last year National Roads and Motorist Associations Limited's (NRMA) commenced discussion with the Council about the roll out of an Electric Vehicle Network (project), consisting of electric vehicles fast chargers. Wilcannia has been identified as location for the project due to the geography on the Barrier Highway and some distance from major centres. From discussions, the NRMA would like Council to enter into a Non-binding "Letter of Intent" to install electric charging stations at Wilcannia. The purpose of the "Letter of Intent" is to set out the parties' in principle agreement, at which point NRMA will commence developing an appropriate construction design and other plans for the preferred location.

REPORT:

The NRMA has identified three locations in Wilcannia:

- Ross St Road reserve outside Wilcannia Hospital
- Ross St Road reserve outside Wilcannia Golf Club
- Road reserve on Cleaton or Reid St near Baker Park

At this stage it is not confirmed the number of Electrical Vehicle (EV) charging stations to be installed. The intention is to focus on documenting the location deal first, and for the parties to then consider other potential station locations in and around the area. The intended timetable of steps is as follows.

- Confirm preferred Locations April 2020
- Finalise Licence to Occupy for preferred Location June 2020
- Wilcannia Station construction TBC

Chargers will be accessible to the general public 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. For safety, Central Darling Shire Council will be responsible to ensure adequate site lighting is provided. NRMA will be responsible for the fit-out works (as more particularly detailed in the Licence to Occupy), including but not limited to:

- installation of the Chargers
- installation of electrical switchboard with meters and electrical protection equipment
- installation of electrical conduits and cables
- installation of EV parking and information signs
- marking/painting of parking bay(s) with EV parking symbols

NRMA will pay the costs associated with designing and preparing plans for the station; and constructing the Station including fit out works. NRMA will be responsible for procuring all necessary permits and paying the associated costs to build the Station.

NRMA will supply and own the EV chargers and will be responsible for their maintenance (physical maintenance and software support) at its cost, as well as upgrade costs (as deemed necessary by NRMA).

NRMA will pay the electricity usage charges for the Station. NRMA may require that the Station be separately metered so that it NRMA can select the electricity supplier. The Central Darling Shire Council will be responsible for maintaining the parking bays at its cost.

LINKS TO THE COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN AND DELIVERY PROGRAM AND OPERATIONAL PLAN:

Community Strategic Plan Outcome

GOAL 1 - A strong regional economy supported by developing industries, strong businesses and increased employment

GOAL 2 - A protected and supported natural environment and a sustainable and wellmaintained built environment.

Delivery Outcome

OBJECTIVE 2.3- Improved infrastructure across the Shire

OBJECTIVE 3.4- Improved infrastructure across the Shire

	Positive	Negative
Social	Promoting environmental awareness and sustainability	Nil
Environmental	Providing alternative energy source for vehicles.	No Environmental impacts
Economic	Promote visitation and retention of visitors to Wilcannia	Nil
Governance	Promote best practice which is seen to be transparent and fair when dealing with residents and businesses.	Nil

SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT:

Financial and Resource Implications:

There are no immediate financial implications.

Policy, Legal and Statutory Implications:

No legislative implications.

Risk Management – Business Risk/Work Health and Safety/Public:

No immediate risk known

OPTIONS:

Alternative option is not to proceed.

COUNCIL SEAL REQUIRED:

No

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION:

Internal Exhibition Consultation has been done with Shire Services Department

External Exhibition

Attachments

6. Non-binding Letter of Intent.

9. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

Nil

10. SHIRE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 ROADS AND AERODROMES REPORT

REPORT AUTHOR:	ROADS AND ASSETS ENGINEER
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on road and aerodrome maintenance, capital works and expenditure an all road asset classes within the Central Darling Local Government Area.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report

REPORT:

State Roads

Council are engaged by Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) to maintain the State Highway network within the Shire boundaries. The two State Highways are the Barrier Highway and the Cobb Highway.

Council are engaged under contract conditions specified under the Routine Maintenance Council Contract (RMCC). The contract details routine works required to be completed throughout the year and capital works which are supplied to Council via a Works Order (WO). 2019/20 RMCC Routine Maintenance preliminary allocation is: \$552,500 Expenditure: \$355,685 Pre-paid: \$453,235.49 Completed: 64% Remaining Budget to Expend: \$196,815

2019/20 RMCC Works Orders allocation to date is \$7,772,037. Twenty-one Work Orders have been received this financial year.

- 1. HW21 Bushley gravel pit 1 and rehabilitation works: \$188,350
- 2. HW21 Bushley gravel pit 3 and rehabilitation works: \$440,000
- 3. HW21 Monivae gravel pit 1 source gravel: \$600,000
- 4. HW21 Baden Park Initial Seal fencing works: \$70,000
- 5. HW21 Monivae Pipe/ Fencing: \$86,190
- 6. HW21 Teryawynia Bore Tank Fence Removal 1& 2: \$13,215
- 7. HW21 Grid fencing/ Gates delivered Rick Gates: \$9,401.22
- 8. HW21 Slamannon South Initial Seal: \$1,429,249
- 9. HW21 Yelta Initial Seal: \$3,239,682
- 10. HW8 Moira Plains Culverts: \$138,378
- 11. HW8 Heavy Patching: \$147,452
- 12. HW8 Resealing: \$509,965
- 13. HW21 Re-sheeting & Grid Repair: 98,882
- 14. HW8 Emergency Incident: \$9,777
- 15. HW21 Bushley Pit Access Road: \$149,240
- 16. HW8 Emergency Incident: \$13,989
- 17. HW21 Slamannon/ Bost Bleeding: \$35,301
- 18. HW21 Monivae Pit 2: \$480,000
- 19. HW21 Mark out Linemarking \$12,497
- 20. HW8 Chemical Spill McCullochs Ranges \$6,643
- 21. HW21 Kerpa Bore Drilling \$43,852

Two Works Orders issued last financial year will be completed this year and are included below for information

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining budget
RMCC Routine	\$552,500	64%	\$196,815
WO 2018-19			
Water Supply Works (including Variation)	\$97,281	100%	\$0
Gypsum Mine North IS Project (including Variation	\$2,732,814	100%	\$0
WO 2019-20	\$7,722,037	49%	\$3,919,199

Regional Roads

Council maintains 790km of Regional Roads throughout the Shire.

2019/20 Regional Roadblock Grant amount (including traffic and supplementary components) is \$2,808,000. Council recently received correspondence from RMS advising that payments will now be made biannually in July 2019 and January 2020.

2019/20 Regional Roads Repair Program was successful with \$400,000 being 50% of the project costs. The remaining 50% is being sourced from the Regional Roads Block Grant which is reflected in the table below

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Regional Roadblock Grant	\$2,408,000	53%	\$1,143,241
Regional Roads Repair Program	\$800,000	0%	\$800,000

Local Roads

Council maintains 1600km of Local Roads throughout the Shire.

2019/20 budget allocation to Local road operational works is \$1,480,000. This is funded from the Financial Assistance Grant – Local Roads Component.

2019/20 Roads to Recovery (R2R) allocation is \$1,286,250. Three capital improvement projects will be delivered this year.

Recent correspondence from the Department of Infrastructure has identified a further allocation of \$216,477 as part of the Governments drought package. A report will be presented to Council early 2020 following completion of two R2R capital projects for consideration of the remaining unallocated funds.

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Local Roads Component (FAG)	\$1,480,000	80%	\$300,840
Mandalay Road Reconstruction (R2R)	\$660,000	82%	\$120,652
Hood Street Reconstruction (R2R)	\$320,000	98%	\$7,232

Tilpa Tongo Road, Paroo Crossings (R2R)	\$306,250	58%	\$131,023
Baden Park Road Build Ups	\$216,477	0%	\$216,477

<u>Aerodromes</u>

Council maintains 6 aerodromes throughout the Shire; Wilcannia, Menindee, Ivanhoe, White Cliffs, Tilpa and Emmdale.

The Royal Flying Doctor Services (RFDS) initiated the registration process in 2018 to enable 3 of Council's aerodromes to be registered in accordance with the CASA regulations. Wilcannia, Ivanhoe and White Cliffs received modest infrastructure improvements to enable the process to be completed. Pursuant to the agreement between Council and the RFDS, the licensing costs will be borne by the RFDS for a 3-year period.

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Aerodromes	\$124,000	34%	\$82,474

Attachments

7. Road Maintenance Program August 2019

10.2 SERVICES UPDATE

REPORT AUTHOR:DEPUTY DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:**DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the services expenditure on all associated assets within the Central Darling Local Government Area.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report.

REPORT:

Services:

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Parks & Gardens/ Sporting Facilities	\$171,350	72%	\$48,052.53
Ancillary Works	\$190,500	65%	\$67,250.72
Street Cleaning/Bins	\$116,000	68%	\$37,297.39
Buildings	\$500,000	71%	\$145,802.24
Swimming Pools	\$502,800	76%	\$120,757.02
Waste Depots	\$92,500	57%	\$39,435.93

Services Capital Works

Council has received funding to improve facilities throughout the Shire through the Building Stronger Country Communities Projects for Round 1 and 2.

Council has been invited to apply for Stronger Country Communities Round 3, Council has consulted with the community groups in regard to the suitable projects.

Council was successful in receiving \$364,738 under the recent round of "Waste Less Recycle More" initiative grants for the Wilcannia, Ivanhoe and Menindee landfill sites. This work is complete and the audit towards final payments is progressing satisfactorily.

The announced sum was itemised as Wilcannia \$200,000, Menindee \$101,000 and Ivanhoe \$63,738.

Works at all facilities included new fencing, earthworks, signage and access delineation. The public have been consulted and advised of no changes to their access.

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Building Stronger Country Communities Round 1	\$893,640.00	100%	\$0
Building Stronger Country Communities Round 2	\$1,395,084	100%	\$747,070
Waste Less, Recycle More – Landfill Improvements	\$584,672	100%	\$0

Attachment

Nil

10.3 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES UPDATE

REPORT AUTHOR:	ADMINISTRATION OFFICER - ENVIRONMENTAL
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report is to provide a summary of Council's Environment Services statistics for the month of February 2020.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report.

REPORT:

Statistics for February 2020		
Development	Number of DAs Approved – New Dwellings	0
	Number of DAs Approved – Renovation	1
	Number of DAs Approved – Other	1
	Total Value of DAs Approved	\$475 000
Food Safety	Food Premises Inspected	3
Animal Control Activities	Impounded	4 Cats 8 Dogs
	Rehomed	0 Dog

	Returned to Owner	2 Dog
	Euthanized	4 Cat
		5 Dogs
	Registrations	0
	Microchipped	0
	Penalty Notices Issued	0
Water Sampling	Microbiology Samples Collected	8
	Chemistry Samples Collected	0
	Non-Compliant Samples	0
	Darling River Algae Samples	0

<u>Attachment</u>

Nil

10.4 WATER AND SEWER UPDATE

REPORT AUTHOR:	PROJECTS ENGINEER
RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:	DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on water and sewer maintenance, capital works and expenditure an all assets within the Central Darling Local Government Area.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council will:

1. Receive and note the report.

REPORT:

Water & Sewerage Operations:

- Wilcannia's potable water supply is currently sourced from the Union Bend Bore Field. Level 4 Water Restrictions were lifted 19 March 2020 following Weir Pool replenishment, reservoir cleaning and mains flushing. The transition from Bore water to river source is expected to commence 23 March 2020.
- White Cliffs town water supply is sourced from Wakefield Tank. Current supply without further rain is expected to last through to November 2020. No significant rainfall or runoff occurred during the February 2020 event.
- Ivanhoe town water supply is currently being sourced from Morrisons Tank. Recent Willandra Creek flows has enabled Council to continue pumping operations and "top

up" Morrisons Tank. Morrison's Tank capacity is 450 megalitres, town storage dam 50 megalitres. Remaining supply at capacity is estimated up to two years. No water restrictions in place.

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
Wilcannia Water	\$329,000	87%	\$45,137
Wilcannia Sewer	\$185,000	36%	\$118,773
White Cliffs Water	\$155,500	52%	\$75,777
Ivanhoe Water	\$312,000	66%	\$108,650
Aboriginal Communities R&M	\$105,865	0%	\$105,865

Water and Sewer Capital Works

Restart Program (RNSW 827) - White Cliffs Water Supply Augmentation

The White Cliffs Water Treatment Plant Specification has been completed and submitted to Manager Water & Sewerage, Water Utilities Water Group, Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) Supply Augmentation for Section 60, *Local Government Act 1993* Approval which is a pre-requisite to going to tender.

Public Works Advisory (PWA) were engaged to undertake management of the tendering process. The White Cliffs WTP RFT was issued on 4th December 2019 and closed on 26 February 2020 following an extension of time of 3 weeks. One tender was received which exceeded project estimates and this is addressed in a separate report for Council consideration in the Confidential section of this agenda

The White Cliffs Water Supply Rising Main and Reticulation draft plans have been received and are being reviewed by staff. The program for issuance of the White Cliffs Water Supply Rising Main and Reticulation RFT is expected by late April 2020.

Capital funding up to \$5.5 Million has been approved and the current deadline for completion is 30 September 2021. Council were granted extension of time to complete the project due to unforeseen delays in the preconstruction phase.

Restart Program (RNSW 1869) Safe and Secure Program - Wilcannia Sewer Augmentation

Public Works Advisory (PWA) have been engaged to undertake a scoping study concerning Wilcannia's sewerage reticulation network and sewerage treatment works.

The final draft of the Wilcannia Sewer Augmentation scoping study, completed by Public Works Advisory, was submitted to Council for consideration on 6th September 2019.

The scoping study will provide key recommendations with respect to sewerage collection and transportation options and further assessment of sewerage treatment capacity.

The completed Wilcannia Sewerage Scoping Study has been forwarded to DPIE and Restart NSW their consideration and Section 60 Approval to enable the project planning to continue.

Capital funding is subject to further funding application by Council and assessment by the DPIE Review Panel.

Restart Program (RNSW 1869) Wilcannia and Ivanhoe New Water Treatment Plants

Council engaged City Water Technology (CWT) to progress the determination of the preferred water treatment chain and capacity for new WTPs at Wilcannia and Ivanhoe based on the Advanced Treatment Concept Report completed by PWA. CWTs engagement included negotiation on Council's behalf with Department of Industry - Water with respect technical issues.

A key outcome of this negotiation process is the difficulty proceeding without further operational data of the existing plants at Wilcannia and Ivanhoe. In particular the limited data prevents determination of proposed treatment plant capacities with any confidence. In this regard a Water Loss Management Plan completed by Detection Services provides a sound range of options and recommendations. A key recommendation to install a smart metering program has been actioned.

The key action required in the short term is the enhanced collection of data, scrutiny and interrogation of water loss in general and finalisation of the Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Plan to enable projected treatment capacity of new WTPs at Wilcannia and Ivanhoe with confidence sufficient to gain Section 60 approval.

Notwithstanding the need for further data collection the Wilcannia and Ivanhoe Concept Reports will be completed in accordance with CWT analysis for a single reticulation network. In this regard the estimated WTP capacities for Wilcannia and Ivanhoe are 2.0 ML/day and 1.3 ML/day respectively.

Council has been offered capital funding for new WTPs at Wilcannia and Ivanhoe to the value of \$3.5 Million and \$2.5 Million respectively. \$200,000 has been sought in the first instance to complete necessary preconstruction works and confirm WTP capacities.

Works Description	Original Budget	% Expended	Remaining Budget
White Cliffs WTP and Retic	\$5,500,000	1%	\$5,424,333
Wilcannia Sewer Scoping Study	\$60,000	100%	\$0
Wilcannia and Ivanhoe WTP Scoping Study	\$200,000	64%	\$72,462

A business case is currently being prepared for each project and will be submitted in due course.

Attachment

Nil

11. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

11.1 MINUTES – INTERNAL AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE – 26 FEBRUARY 2020

REPORT AUTHOR:EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:**GENERAL MANAGER

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Internal Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 26 February 2020 be received and noted.

Attachments

8. Internal Audit Committee Minutes – 26 February 2020

11.2 MINUTES – COMBINED TOURISM ASSOCIATION MEETING – 13 MARCH 2020

REPORT AUTHOR:EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:**GENERAL MANAGER

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Combined Tourism Association Meeting held on 13 March 2020 be received and noted.

Attachments

9. Tourism Association Meeting Minutes – 13 March 2020

12. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

The *Local Government Act 1993* provides that Council may close to the public that part of the meeting that deals with matters of a confidential nature.

The grounds on which a meeting is closed to the public must be specified in the decision to close the meeting and recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

Recommendation:

That Council move into Confidential to consider the matters listed in the confidential section of the agenda in accordance with Section 10A 2 of the *Local Government Act 1993* for the reasons specified.

12.1 SELECTION OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

Item 12.1 is confidential under the *Local Government Act* 1993 Section 10A 2 (d) as it relates to 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.

12.2 TRANSFER OF LAND AND PAYMENT OF \$10,000 IN FULL CONSIDERATION OF OUTSTANDING RATES AND CHARGES

Item 12.2 is confidential under the *Local Government Act 1993* Section 10A 2 (b) as it relates to discussion in relation to the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.

12.3 SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES AND CHARGES

Item 12.3 is confidential under the *Local Government Act 1993* Section 10A 2 (b) as it relates to discussion in relation to the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.

12.4 WHITE CLIFFS WATER TREATMENT PLANT – TENDER RESULTS

Item 10.5 is confidential under the *Local Government Act 1993* Section 10A 2 (c) as it relates to information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business.

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- (iii) reveal a trade secret.

13. MEETING CLOSE

The Council Meeting will be declared closed by the Mayor/Administrator.

The next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 22 April 2020 in Wilcannia at 9.00am.

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 21 REID STREET, WILCANNIA ON WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2020

PRESENT: Administrator, Bob Stewart

IN ATTENDANCE: General Manager, Greg Hill Director Shire Services, Reece Wilson Director Business Services, Jacob Philp Executive Assistant, Jamie Parsons

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was declared open at 9.00am.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

An acknowledgement of the traditional custodians of the land was delivered by the Administrator, Bob Stewart.

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 ORDINARY MEETING – 17 December 2019

Resolved

1. That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 December 2019 be received and confirmed as an accurate record.

Minute Number: 01-01-2020

5.2 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil Reports

6. MAYORAL (ADMINISTRATOR) MINUTE(S)

6.1 ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

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2. The embargo that was placed by Minister Pavey was lifted after 3 days. The Administrator submitted a letter of objection.

Minute Number: 02-01-20

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

7.1 CASH AND INVESTMENTS – DECEMBER 2019

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number: 03-01-20

7.2 CASH AND INVESTMENTS – JANUARY 2020

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report

Minute Number: 04-01-20

7.3 REPORT PROGRESS TOWARDS SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES AND OTHER DEBT RECOVERY MEASURES

Resolved

- **1.** Receive and note the report
- Fair work has been completed for overdue rates. Council have no choice for selling land due to a substantial amount of overdue rates that have been in arrears for five (5) years or longer. There will be implications on the Council Budget. Council will need to increase the provision and budget the surplus.
 \$944,000 will be affected on the Surplus. Will reduce by \$338,000. The 2021 period will be covered in the next financial year.

Minute Number: 05-01-20

7.4 QUARTLEY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

Resolved

- **1.** Receive the report and;
- **2.** Note that the projected surplus/deficit for the financial year 2019/20 is \$489,000 surplus
- **3.** Note that there are variations for this quarter review.

Minute Number: 06-01-20

7.5 AMENDMENT TO THE FEES AND CHARGES – WHITE CLIFFS OPAL PIONEER CARAVAN PARK

Resolved

- **1.** Receive and note the report
- 2. Adopt the draft changes to the current fees and charges and place these changes on Public Exhibition for a period of 28 days;
- **3.** Report to Council following completion of the Public Consultation Period on all Submissions

Minute Number: 07-01-20

8. GOVERNANCE REPORTS

8.1 PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR NO SMOKING POLICY

Resolved

- **1.** Receive and note the report; and
- 2. Resolve to publicly exhibit the No Smoking Policy for 28 days.

Minute Number: 08-01-20

8.2 PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS POLICY

Resolved

- **1.** Receive and note the report.
- 2. Resolve to publicly exhibit the Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy for 28 days.

Minute Number: 09-01-20

8.3 DUAL NAMING THE DARLING RIVER AS BAAKA

Resolved

- 1. Receive and note the report; and
- 2. That a letter be sent to Geographical Name Board (GNB). The letter will address Council's position and raise issues about the dual naming Darling River as "Baaka" with the following comments:
- 3. Council supports dual naming
- 4. Council is concerned of the proposed name "Baaka" to be used and request Geographical Names Board to further investigate if the accuracy and the definition is correct.
- **5.** Geographical Names Board to investigate by public consultation what section of the Darling River to be dual named.
- **6.** Geographical Name Board continue to keep Council informed on further progress in the dual naming of the Darling River.

Minute Number: 10-01-20

8.4 CORRESPONDANCE RECEIVED TABLED FOR INFORMATION

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report

Minute Number: 11-01-20

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8.5 MEETING AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report

Minute Number: 12-01-20

9. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

Nil Reports

10. SHIRE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 2019 PROPOSED PLANNING PROPOSALS TO AMEND THE CENTRAL DARLING LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2012 PROJECT – PROJECT REPORT

Resolved

- **1.** Receive and note the report; and
- 2. Receive the three planning proposals
- **3.** Acknowledge the progress of the three planning proposals to amend the Central Darling Local Environmental Plan 2012.
- **4.** Request that the Minister for Planning, Industry ad Environment exercise the plan making powers under Section 3.34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to amend the Central Darling Local Environmental Plan 2012.
- **5.** Acknowledge that the planning proposal for the Wilcannia Heritage Conservation Area and additional heritage items be sent to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment requesting Gateway approval.
- 6. Acknowledge that the planning proposal for the rezoning of land from residential (R1 zone) to infrastructure (SP1 zone) for Wilcannia Water Supply treatment facility will be submitted to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environmental requesting Gateway approval.
- 7. Acknowledge that the Planning Proposal to amend the Central Darling Local Environmental Plan 2012, for changes to the Land Use table in relation to Crown Reserve Lots will be submitted to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment requesting Gateway approval.
- **8.** Acknowledge that the Planning Proposals will be submitted to Council and then to the Department for Gateway Approval in late February 2020.

Minute Number: 13-01-20

10.2 2019 CDSC LOCAL STRATEGIC PLANNING STATEMENT – PROGRESS REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

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- **2.** Council considers the draft LSPS, and if concurrence place the LSPS on Public Exhibition for comment for a period of 28 days.
- **3.** After consideration of any submissions received during the public consultation period, Council will amend if deemed necessary, and ultimately the LSPS at the following Council meeting in April.

Minute Number: 14-01-20

10.3 2019 CROWN RESERVES PLAN OF MANAGEMENT PROJECT – PROGRESS REPORT

Resolved

- **1.** Receive and note the report
- 2. Acknowledges the progress of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management Project
- **3.** Acknowledges that Stage 2 of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management of the Project has commenced
- 4. Acknowledge that the community/public consultation period will occur when the Plans of Management for the Crown Reserves have been approved by Council and the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Council Crown Land Management Team. The public consultation is Stage 3 of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management Project
- 5. The time frame for the completion of the Crown Reserve Plan of Management Project will be depend on the response and approval from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Council Crown Land Management Team.

Minute Number: 15-01-20

10.4 ROADS AND AERODROMES REPORT

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number 16-01-20

10.5 WATER AND SEWER UPDATE

Resolved

- **1.** Receive and note the report.
- Level 4 Water Restrictions remain in place. Due to recent rainfall, there is an estimated 30,000-50,000ML of total flow due between 10-20 March 2020. Restrictions will be investigated into being lifted once there is water available in the Weir Pool.

Minute Number: 17-01-20

11. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

11.1 MENINDEE FISH HATCHERY MEETING

Resolved

1. Note and receive the report

Minute Number: 18-01-20

12. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

12.1 An additional \$216,000 has been funded for Roads and Recovery. Council will endorse additional funding for Bayden Park Road. Council note and receives the report.

Minute Number: 19-01-20

13. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed at 9.30 am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Central Darling Shire Council held on Wednesday, 26 February 2020.

ADMINISTRATOR



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MURRAY DARLING ASSOCIATION

COMMUNICATION REPORT

TOPIC:	MDA STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP – MARCH 2020
DATE:	16 MARCH 2020
INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION:	☑ MDA Board☑ MDA Staff
EXTERNAL DISTRIBUTION:	☑ For Member Councils and public
ENCLOSURES / ATTACHMENTS:	\boxtimes No \Box Yes:
REPORT OBJECTIVES:	 ☑ For Information / Awareness ☑ To enable participants to present at council or incorporate in their own council reports

Purpose

To report on the event and outcomes of the **2020 MDA Strategic Planning Workshop** held in Moama on 12-13 March 2020.

Executive Summary

The MDA held a *Strategic Planning Workshop* (SPW) in Moama NSW over the period 12-13 March 2020.

The event was well attended and incorporated the perspectives, experience and input from key stakeholders and critical representatives from all States and regions right throughout the Murray-Darling Basin.

The SPW reviewed the *Vision 2024 Strategic Plan*; current and emerging *projects, programs and initiatives;* along with presentations from *strategic partnerships* achieved with key stakeholders such as CSIRO and the MDBA.

The top three priorities for the MDA for the plan period are identified as:

- > Development and production of *Membership Tools and Services*.
- > Implementation of *Strategic Projects, Initiatives and Programs* within the wider MDB Footprint.
- > Establishment of the *Murray-Darling Basin Local Government Centre of Excellence*.

The MDA executive will now incorporate the strategic input received and complete the final draft of the MDA Strategic Plan 2020-2024: *Vision 2024* for consultation and approval.

Background

The MDA's Strategic Plan 2016-19 has now concluded with the achievement of a broad suite of strategic outcomes. The operations and objectives of the MDA have evolved significantly, requiring a step-change in

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the organisation's future plan. Vision 2024 will position the organisation strongly to respond to the emerging needs of the Murray-Darling Basin.

The prospects for the MDA membership and the 12 MDA regions continue to gain support from strategic partners and stakeholders; with many projects emerging which will see the MDA's vision of a healthy, vibrant and thriving Murray-Darling Basin more achievable.

2020 Strategic Planning Workshop

The two-day event saw a gathering of mayors, councillors and senior executives of councils from Albury to Adelaide, Menindee to the Murray Mouth, as far afield as Balonne, Federation, Barunga West and more – reinforcing the perspectives, power and impact which the MDA collectively exercises within the Basin and more broadly within Australia.

Councils discussed a range of issues, including the importance of place-based change and adaptation for local government, the role of science in dealing with big Basin issues, and how the MDA can work with local government to identify and achieve the future they want – not for the future they want back.

The SPW gave opportunity for the MDA Board and Strategic Representatives to:

- Affirm the Vision, Mission and Values of the Organisation.
- Review the exciting and promising *projects and initiatives* which the MDA is implementing throughout the Murray-Darling Basin and the broader membership's footprint.
- Experience first-hand the *collaboration and partnerships* which have been achieved by the MDA with strategic partners such as the CSIRO and the MDBA.
- Reinforce the *priorities for the MDA Executives* under the Vision 2024 Plan over the next five years:
 - Membership Services streamlined, effective and prized products and resources;
 - Projects, Initiatives and Programs with Basin-Wide impact;
 - Establishment of the *Murray-Darling Basin Local Government Centre for Excellence*.

Capacity Building

Projects

The SPW was presented with a list of the current and emerging project, initiatives and programs which included:

- Basin Communities Leadership Program (BCLP 1.0) 15 Locations, 225 Emerging Leaders;
- BCLP 2.0 Continuing on from BCLP 1.0 with additional pathways being explored;
- Regional Economic Diversification Program Supporting local Councils with regional MDA officers;
- Regional Mental Health Program Supporting membership Councils with additional support.

Each of these projects have received a large amount of planning to see these transition from a concept to a viable program / product; with several having already been submitted for funding under the Murray Darling Economic Development federal funding programs.

Staff

Over the last couple of years, the executive team has grown to a comprehensive team of 7 staff. Workshop participants saw presentations from staff on the newly implemented Customer Relationship Management software, project initiatives, and the emerging corporate plan.

Membership

The workshop developed a clear set of priorities regarding the development and production of membership tools and services.

Distribution

Participants at the workshop are encouraged to use the information contained in this report to build awareness and update their councils. If further information is required, please don't hesitate to contact the Murray Darling Association team on (03) 5480 3805 or comms@mda.asn.au

REPORT RELEASED BY: E. Bradbury CEO MDA

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First Established Town on the Darling River

13th February,2020

Return to report

General Manager Central Darling Shire Council PO BOX 165 Wilcannia NSW 2836

Attention: Mr Greg Hill hillg@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au

Dear Greg,

We write to you requesting that the Central Darling Shire Council consider a donation to the Menindee Regional Tourism Association to the value of the Rates owing for this 12-month period.

The volunteer, not for profit organisation provides a community service to the town and the surrounding areas. The tourism committee not only works tirelessly in maintaining the Tourist Centre, but are also devoting their time in ensuring the community is well represented.

The Tourism Organisation strives to bring a positive outcome for the town, at all times and without our volunteer team, the centre would not be operational.

We are extremely grateful for the guidance and support we are given from the Council and hope that consideration will be given to our request.

Kind regards,

Maree McCrabb Secretary MRTA

For and on behalf of: Robert Gregory (President) and MRTA Committee.



Your ref: GD19/20696 Our ref: MDPE20/442

Mr Robert Keith Stewart Administrator Central Darling Shire Council PO Box 165 WILCANNIA NSW 2836

Dear Mr Stewart

I write in response to your correspondence to the Hon. Adam Marshall MP, Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales, about funding assistance for updating urban and rural addresses at the Central Darling Shire. Your correspondence was referred to the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, who has asked me to respond on his behalf.

I appreciate how crucial accurate addresses are in enabling emergency service workers to locate residents who need of urgent assistance.

Once Central Darling Shire Council (Council) has secured the funding needed, Council or its consultant would then work with Spatial Services under the Department of Customer Service (DCS) to complete the project. Council may wish to contact Mr Wayne Patterson, Director of Spatial Operations at DCS, on 02 6332 8106 or wayne.patterson@customerservice.nsw.gov.au.

Once the updated addresses are in place, Spatial Services can push this data to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's Spatial Viewer. The Spatial Viewer provides an interactive digital mapping service that provides easy to use information rich maps for the whole of NSW. The Spatial Viewer can be accessed from the NSW Planning Portal website at <u>www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/spatialviewer</u>.

If you have any more questions, please contact Mr Tim Archer, Director of ePlanning Policy and Implementation, at the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment on 02 9274 6592.

Yours sincerely

Gino Cavallaro Executive Director ePlanning

From:	SS GNB
To:	Greg Hill; Lisa Powell
Cc:	Central Darling Shire Council; SS GNB
Subject:	RE: Proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka
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Dear Greg

Thank you for council's feedback and consideration of the proposal to dual name Darling River.

The Geographical Names Board, at its meeting on 10 March 2020, resolved to make a recommendation to the Minister to assign the dual name Baaka, for the entire length of the river.

I will be back in touch once this final determination has been made. In the meantime, if you have any questions please get in touch.

Regards Michael

Michael van den BosSenior Statutory Officer | Geographical Names BoardSpatial Services | Department of Customer Service

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Dear Michael,

Following Central Darling Shire Council meeting, held on Wednesday 26 March 2020, it was resolved that:

- a. Council supports dual naming the Darling River
- b. Council is concern of the proposed name "Baaka" to be used and request Geographical Names Board to further investigate if the accuracy and the definition is correct.
- c. Geographical Names Board to investigate by public consultation what section of the Darling River to be dual named.
- d. Geographical Names Board continue to keep Council informed on further progress in the dual naming the Darling River.

Regards

Greg Hill

General Manager

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Cc: Central Darling Shire Council <<u>council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au</u>>; Bob Stewart
<stewartr@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au>; SS GNB <<u>SS-GNB@customerservice.nsw.gov.au</u>>;
Subject: RE: Proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka

Dear Greg

The Geographical Names Board 's (GNB) advertising period for the proposal by the Barkindji Native Title Group Aboriginal Corporation to dual name Darling River as Baaka has closed.

The public consultation process was undertaken from 19 December 2019 to 28 January 2020. Advertisements were placed in the Koori Mail, Bourke Western Herald, Broken Hill Barrier Daily Truth and the Sunraysia Daily. A <u>media release</u> was sent to these publications as well as to Broken Hill ABC radio, 2WEB radio, 2BH Broken Hill radio, Wilcannia FM and Wilcannia News. This was supported with information published on the GNB website and an online portal to make submissions. Flyers seeking feedback on the proposal were sent to Bourke Shire Council, Central Darling Shire Council and Wentworth Shire Council, to be distributed in community. Correspondence was sent to the following stakeholders seeking feedback on the proposal: Bourke Shire Council, Central Darling Shire Council, Wentworth Shire Council, National Parks and Wildlife Services, Nulla Nulla Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC), Dareton LALC, Menindee LALC and Wilcannia LALC. In total, GNB received 74 submissions; 54 were in support and 20 in objection. We have also been contacted over the phone by Dr Beryl Carmichael and Mr Jason Ford. Dr Carmichael is endeavouring to submit a letter with further information on the matter and we have requested Mr Ford submit his comments via email – this is yet to be received.

As requested, please find attached submissions received. Submissions provided include those lodged on the GNB website and correspondence sent directly to GNB. Please note the attachments are for council's use only and should not be made available to any other party.

Council's position on the proposal and any feedback on submissions is welcomed. It is much appreciated if this could please be provided by 28 February 2020 so it can be considered at the next GNB meeting on 10 March.

Please reach out if you have questions or concerns.

Regards Michael

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Cc: council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au; Bob Stewart <<u>stewartr@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au</u>>; SS GNB <<u>SS-GNB@customerservice.nsw.gov.au</u>>
Subject: RE: Proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka

Hi Greg,

Thank you for the email. The Geographical Names Board will send through the results of the public consultation period once it has concluded in late January.

The Geographical Names Board will consider all submissions received during the public consultation period at its meeting scheduled for 10 March 2020.

Kind Regards,

Lísa

Lisa Powell Place Names Manager, **Geographical Names Board**

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Sent: Tuesday, 17 December 2019 2:36 PM
To: Lisa Powell <<u>lisa.powell@customerservice.nsw.gov.au</u>>
Cc: council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au; Bob Stewart <<u>stewartr@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au</u>>
Subject: RE: Proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka

Hi Lisa,

Thank you for the correspondence regarding "proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka".

As we discussed last Friday, Council is not in a position to comment about the dual naming until consultation has been completed; as I said Friday, Council is meeting on Wednesday 26 February with no meeting held in January.

At todays Council meeting, Council did support any consultation done by The Geographical Names Board and would like receive prior to Februarys Council meeting, community comments about proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka, as well, details about the consultation process.

On receiving information and following the February Council meeting a formal response from Central

Darling Shire will be provide to The Geographical Names Board.

If you wish to discuss the matter, please do not hesitate contact me.

Regards

Greg Hill

General Manager

From: Central Darling Shire Council <<u>council@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au</u>>
Sent: Thursday, 12 December 2019 11:37 AM
To: Greg Hill <<u>hillg@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au</u>>
Subject: FW: Proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka

From: SS GNB <<u>SS-GNB@customerservice.nsw.gov.au</u>>
Sent: Thursday, 12 December 2019 11:33 AM
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Cc: SS GNB <<u>SS-GNB@customerservice.nsw.gov.au</u>>
Subject: Proposal to dual name the Darling River as Baaka

Good morning Mr Hill,

Please find attached correspondence on behalf of the Geographical Names Board.

Kind Regards, *Lísa*

Lisa Powell Place Names Manager, **Geographical Names Board**

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10 February 2020

hillg@centraldarling.nsw.gov.au

Greg Hill General Manager Central Darling Shire Council 21 Reid Street Wilcannia, NSW 2836

Dear Greg,

Non-binding letter of intent – electric vehicle charging stations

Thank you for your time in discussing National Roads and Motorists' Association Limited's (**NRMA**) development and proposed roll out of an electric vehicle charging network (**Project**), consisting of electric vehicle fast chargers.

I have set out in this letter of intent (LoI) the proposed terms of an arrangement between NRMA and Central Darling Shire Council.

This Lol sets out the material commercial terms that have been agreed in principle to date, and that are proposed to form the basis of legally binding documentation. This Lol does not comprise a complete list of all the provisions that will be required in the ultimate agreement(s).

Except where expressly stated, this Lol does not give rise to any legally binding rights or obligations between the parties. It is not an offer capable of acceptance, and no legally binding obligation arises unless and until formal documentation is signed by all parties.

	Торіс	Terms
1.	Parties	The parties to any arrangement will be: NRMA (or its nominee); and Central Darling Shire Council
2.	Background	 As part of the Project, NRMA seeks to identify appropriate sites across NSW (each, a "Site") in which to locate an electric vehicle fast charging station. NRMA has not yet established any electric vehicle (EV) fast charging stations (Stations) in the relevant area. NRMA would like to work with the (insert entity name) to establish a Station in one of the following locations from Ross St road reserve outside Wilcannia Hospital (Location) Road reserve on Cleaton or Reid St near Baker Park (Location).

		Any Station will comprise a parking bay or bays (with the number to be agreed between NRMA and Central Darling Shire Council) and an electric vehicle fast charger (Charger) for each bay. No construction plans have been developed for the Location. The purpose of this letter is to set out the parties' in principle agreement, at which point NRMA will commence developing an appropriate construction design and other plans for the Location.
3.	Transaction documents	In order to document the arrangement a " Licence to Occupy " will need to be prepared and executed for each Station. NRMA will provide a copy of NRMA's template Licence to Occupy following agreement and signing of this Letter of Intent, and the parties agree that the review of the Licence to Occupy will be promptly progressed through each organisation, and each party will act expeditiously in order to review and execute that document.
4.	Intended timetable	 The intended timetable of steps is as follows. The intention is to focus on documenting the Location deal first, and for the parties to then consider other potential Station locations in and around the Site area. Confirm preferred Locations – April 2020 Finalise Licence to Occupy for preferred Location – June 2020 Wilcannia Station construction – TBC
5.	Location key provisions	The key proposed terms for the Location are as follows:Locations and plans5.1NRMA and Central Darling Shire Council to agree on:5.1.1the precise location for the Station on the Site;5.1.2the number of bays to comprise the Station;5.1.3the bays will be exclusive for electric vehicle charging5.1.1working together to ensure any processes for site approval are as streamlined and efficient as possible.Term5.2The term for the Licence to Occupy will be 5 year minimum period with an option for a further 5 year period.Rent

5.3	NRMA v to Occuj	vill be charged a peppercorn rent for the Licence py.
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5.4		s will be accessible to the general public 24 hours
5.5		ety, Central Darling Shire Council will ensure e site lighting
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5.6	particula	will be responsible for fitout works (as more arly detailed in the Licence to Occupy), including imited to:
	5.6.1	installation of the Chargers
	5.6.2	installation of electrical switchboard with meters and electrical protection equipment
	5.6.3	installation of electrical conduits and cables
	5.6.4	installation of EV parking and information signs
	5.6.5	marking/painting of parking bay(s) with EV parking symbols
Chargers	s and Sta	tion costs
5.7	NRMA v	vill supply and own the Chargers.
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5.9		ntral Darling Shire Council will be responsible for ning the bays at its cost.
5.10	NRMA v	vill pay the costs associated with:
	5.10.1	designing and preparing plans for the station; and
	5.10.2	constructing the Station including fitout works
5.11		vill be responsible for procuring all necessary and paying the associated costs to build the
5.12	Station.	vill pay the electricity usage charges for the NRMA may require that the Station be separatel I so that it NRMA can select the electricity

		Branding
		 5.13 The Chargers will be co-branded by NRMA and Central Darling Shire Council with the nature of the branding to agreed between the parties. For clarity, part of the branding NRMA require may include some third party branding on the Chargers. Public liability
		5.14 NRMA will have current public liability insurance for the purpose of covering EV related activities.
		6.1 The parties acknowledge and agree that:
		6.1.1 Significant commitment will be made by NRM/ once the Licence to Occupy is signed in order build the Station and enable the Charger to operate;
6.	Other Locations key provisions	6.1.2 Both parties will use their best endeavours to commit to the longevity of the Station, includin ensuring that any redevelopment and land dealings do not adversely affect the Station's availability and user experience; and
		6.1.3 The Licensor does not currently have any plan to redevelop or sell the Location.
7.		 7.1 The parties will work together to share data regarding th Project and use of the Stations. However, this will only occur:
		7.1.1 subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and NRMA data governance standards;
	Other general terms	7.1.2 in relation to anonymised and aggregated data on the use of the Station;
		7.1.3 when NRMA systems have reached an appropriate level of data maturity to enable da to be shared; and
		7.1.4 where requested data reports are of a commo format and not bespoke requests.
		Subject to the above, and where practical, NRMA will provide insights about journeys into and around

	Wilcannia, where those users have accessed the
	Wilcannia charger.
	Other marketing initiatives
	7.2 The parties will explore opportunities for mutual promotion of NRMA and Central Darling Shire Council initiatives related to the Project, and (where permissible under law) through direct communication with NRMA Members and Central Darling Shire Council's customers.
	Creation of IP
	7.3 If any intellectual property is created in connection with the Project (excluding any IP in existence as at the date of this letter), this will be owned by NRMA.
	Risk management
	7.4 The parties will perform regular risk management assessments to identify, understand and mitigate risks that arise from time to time during the arrangements, and to meet and discuss the outcomes of those risk management assessments.
	Revenue from the Chargers
	7.5 At some future stage, parties may be required to pay to use the Chargers, and NRMA will be entitled to 100% of this revenue. It is likely that payment will occur via an NRMA application, which NRMA will develop.
	Subject to the below, this Lol is not a legally binding document and the parties do not intend, and do not, create any legal rights or obligations by signing it.
	The parties acknowledge and agree that this arrangement is non- exclusive, and NRMA may conduct similar discussions with other parties in relation to potential locations in or around the Site area.
	Either party may terminate their discussions regarding the Project at any time.
8. Non-binding	The following provisions of this Lol are binding on the parties:
	8.1 Announcements (item 9);
	8.2 Costs (item 10);
	8.3 Confidentiality (item 11);
	8.4 Governing law and execution (item 12); and
	8.5 this item 8.

9.	Announcements	The parties must not make a media release, announcement or public statement about the Project, except with the prior written consent of the other party or as required by law.			
10.	Costs	Each party must pay its own legal costs and expenses in relation to the preparation, negotiation and execution of this Lol and any binding transaction documents.			
11.	Confidentiality	The existence and content of this Lol is confidential information. The parties must not disclose such terms or the Lol's existence to any person (other than professional advisers) unless required to do so by law.			
12.	Governing law and execution	12.1 This LoI is governed by the law applying in New South Wales, Australia and the parties submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of New South Wales.			
		12.2 This Lol may be executed in counterparts, all of which taken together constitute one document.			

If the Central Darling Shire Council is agreeable to the terms, please sign and date the letter, below. I'll then provide you with a copy executed by NRMA.

Regards

James Simmons Community & Stakeholder Engagement

Signed for and on behalf of National Roads and Motorists' Association Limited:

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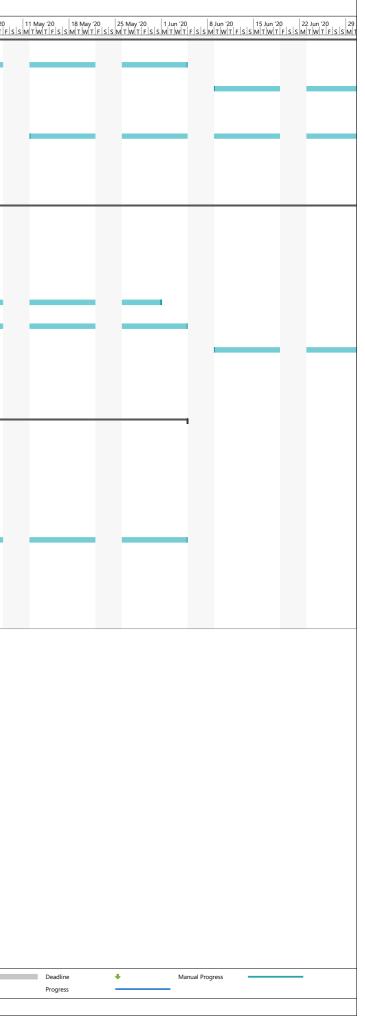
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MINUTES OF THE INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 21 REID STREET, WILCANNIA ON WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2020

IN ATTENDANCE:

Bob Stewart	Administrator
Greg Hill	General Manager
Reece Wilson	Director Shire Services
Jacob Philp	Director Business Services
Jamie Parsons	Executive Assistant
Kevin Smith	Manager Finance
Sharon Brock	Risk and Work Health Safety Officer
Jay Nankivell	Independent Committee Member/Chair Person
Allan Carter	Independent Committee Member – by phone
Dave Tanner	Independent Committee Member – by phone
Paul Bright	Independent Committee Member – by phone
Brett Hanger	National Audit Office – by phone

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was declared open at 10:30am.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

An acknowledgement of the traditional custodians of the land was delivered by the Chair.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 ORDINARY MEETING – 29 OCTOBER 2019

Resolved

That the Minutes of the Internal Audit Committee Meeting held on <insert date> be received and confirmed as an accurate record.

Minute Number: 01-02-20

3.2 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

4. **REPORTS**

4.1 QUARTERLY RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT – QUARTER 1, 2020

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report.

Minute Number: 02-02-20

4.2 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

Resolved

- 1. Receive and adopt the 1st Quarter Budget Review as at 31 December 2019;
- 2. Note that the projected surplus/deficit for the financial year 2019/20 is \$489,000 surplus.
- 3. Note that there are variations for this quarter review.

Minute Number: 03-02-20

4.3 REPORT PROGRESS TOWARDS SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES AND OTHER DEBT RECOVERY MEASURE

Resolved

- 1. Receive and note the report
- 2. Note the actions to date and proposed future actions

Minute Number: 04-02-20

4.4 AUDIT OFFICE OF NEW SOUTH WALES – FINAL MANAGEMENT LETTER

Resolved

- 1. Receive and note the report
- 2. The General Manager will prepare a Working Plan to reduce the risks identifies in the Management Letter, which will be presented to the next Internal Audit and Risk Committee meeting.

Minute Number: 05-02-20

4.5 FUTURE MEETING DATES

Resolved

1. Receive and note the report

Minute Number: 06-02-20

5. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

5.1 SELECTION OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

Resolved

- 1. Receive and note the report
- 2. That the Internal Audit and Risk Committee endorses the engagement of National Audit Group for a 4-year period.

Minute Number: 07-02-20

6. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was closed at 12:00PM.

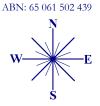
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COUNCIL CHAMBERS 21 REID STREET WILCANNIA NSW 2836

Reference:

Central Darling Shire Council – Combined Tourism Association Minutes

Date:Friday, 13 March 2020Time:6.30pmLocation:Wilcannia Golf Club

Attendees: Greg Hill, Honor Taylor, Rob Dyson, Dick Wagner, Chris and Bill Elliot.

- 1. Welcome by General Manager, Greg Hill
- 2. Welcome to Country We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay respects to Elders past and present.
- 3. Introductions around the table
- 4. Minutes of previous meeting: Moved- Honor Taylor Second- Rob Dyson
- 5. Central Darling / Broken Hill Tourism Campaign with Designation NSW discussion:

A general discussion was held around the table by representatives by Tourism Associations with the following points to be noted:

- a) Majority videos portray Broken Hill/Silverton
- b) Experienced Broken Hill at the end wording-nothing about Central Darling.
- c) Doesn't put Central Darling on the map or portrayed the area on what it has to offer

- d) Doesn't include Wilcannia at all no pictures of old Heritage Buildings
- e) Videos could have wording describing and adding additional information about the area.
- f) Some factual information is incorrect in the media campaign

General Managers comments - Whilst some locals don't like what is presented in the videos, the aim of the videos is to target people that don't live in our region. More so, metro and regional centres in NSW, VIC and SA and needs to appeal to these people, most likely are a demographic who would see the videos in very different way as we do. The marketing campaign can only be judged in the next 3 -6 months on how effective it is by numbers of tourist visiting the Shire.

- Update Joint Organisation projects and funding G Hill provided an update with several smaller projects to be completed by the end of this financial year, signage and White Cliffs public toilets installation of lights. Other projects to follow in the next 2 financial years.
- Stronger Country Community Fund Round 3
 No update and still waiting if funding application have been approved. G Hill has contacted S Finn (DPC) on a number of occasions to get an update, but no response.
- Geotrails linking National Parks and towns Guy Fleming, Manager Geospatial Information & Visualisation Geological Survey of NSW has organised several meetings with different people in Menindee, Wilcannia and White Cliffs to discuss the project.
- RDA Business Awards G Hill encourages businesses to get involved, with application opening in July 2020.
- 10. Open discussion, questions on other matters
 - AG Field Day at Broken Hill good idea, supported by the group in providing volunteers to man the stall. Council to pay for hire of stall. Council (Margot) to coordinate volunteers and setting up the venue.
 - White Cliffs Tourism Brochure printing
 - Disruptive resident G Hill to follow up
 - Coronaviruses Council is reviewing Business Continuity Plans, further details to be provided through media releases.
 - Drought being miss opportunity discussion

- Free camping in Wilcannia and surrounding area-discussion
- 11. Next Meeting suggestion White Cliffs30 May Saturday 10am at National Parks
- 12. Meeting Closed -7.55pm