

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ROMA ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON 25 MARCH 2015 COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Cr. R S Loughnan chaired the meeting with, Deputy Mayor Cr W S Wason, Cr. J L Chambers, Cr. W M Newman, Cr. C J O'Neil, Cr. M L Price, Cr. D J Schefe, Chief Executive Officer – Julie Reitano, Communications Officer – Amy Rickleman and Lauren Owen Minutes Officer in attendance.

AS REQUIRED

Director Infrastructure Services – Cameron Castles, Director Development, Facilities & Environmental Services – Rob Hayward, Director Corporate, Community & Commercial Services – Sharon Frank, Manager Community Services – Julie Neil, Coordinator – Healthy Communities – Natalija Pearn, Manager Economic & Community Development – Edward (Ed) Sims, (Acting) Coordinator Local Development & Council Events – Susan (Sue) Sands, Local Development Officer Yuleba/Wallumbilla – Penelope (Penny) Howland, Coordinator Tourism – Megan Swords, Manager Planning & Building Development – Danielle Pearn, Manager Infrastructure Planning & Design – Kym Downey, Manager Facilities – Tanya Mansfield.

GUESTS

There were no guests in attendance at the meeting.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 9.09am.

APOLOGIES

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/43

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Newman

That apologies be received and leave of absence granted for Cr Denton and Cr Flynn for this meeting.

CARRIED

7/0

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/44

Moved Cr Newman

Seconded Cr Chambers

That the minutes of the General Meeting (4-11.03.15) held on 11 March 2015 be confirmed as amended to include the following change:

Resolution Number GM/03.2015/29 – point four to state:

If maintenance is scheduled as part of the 2015/16 budget for Bowen Lane Roma, (the property entrance road to 'Charmwood'), Council will consider the timing of maintenance closer to the event.

CARRIED

7/0

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

ON THE TABLE

There were no items for discussion on the table.

PRESENTATIONS/PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Wallumbilla Town Water Supply

Council received a petition from residents in the town of Wallumbilla, dated 23 March 2015, requesting “that the quality of the Wallumbilla town water supply be improved.” The petition contained the personal details and signatures of 37 residents.

The received petition met Council’s lodgement requirements for formal submission of a petition. These guidelines were endorsed at the General Meeting on 25 February 2015.

The matter was considered as a late report under item **L.1**, in the open session, and an update was also provided to Council after it resumed the meeting following the closed session.

CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF BUSINESS

There were no notices of business for consideration.

CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion for consideration.

RECEPTION OF NOTICES OF MOTION FOR NEXT MEETING

No notices of motion were received for the next meeting.

BUSINESS

OFFICE OF THE CEO

Item Number: 10.1 **File Number:** D15/17488

SUBJECT HEADING: AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBER REMUNERATION

Author and Officer’s Title: Sharon Frank, Director - Corporate, Community & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

At the General Meeting of 21 January 2015 Council resolved to set external Audit Committee members’ meeting allowances. The Audit Committee, at their meeting on the 23 February 2015, recommended that Council consider paying a travel allowance for members travelling significant distances to attend the meetings.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/45

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr O’Neil

That Council set the external Audit Committee members’ travel allowance to:

Where an Audit Committee member is required to use his or her private motor vehicle to travel to and from their home or workplace outside the Roma town area to attend an Audit Committee meeting in Roma, the travel allowance rate will be calculated at the kilometres travelled (round trip) x the rate prescribed below, effective from the re-establishment of the committee and their first meeting on 12 September 2013.

VEHICLE CATEGORY	AMOUNT (CENTS PER KM)
AUTOMOBILES	
1600cc and less	63.0c
1601cc to 2600cc	74.0c
2601cc and over	75.0c
AUTOMOBILES – ROTARY ENGINE	
800cc and less	63.0c
801cc to 1300cc	74.0c
1301cc and over	75.0c
MOTORCYCLES	
250cc and under	25.2c
Over 250cc	30.0c
Note: 'cc' means cubic centimetres.	
CARRIED	7/0

Responsible Officer	Director - Corporate, Community & Commercial Services
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CORPORATE, COMMUNITY & COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Item Number: 11.1 File Number: D15/24819

SUBJECT HEADING: MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Author and Officer's Title: Christina Tincknell, Coordinator - Corporate, Community & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report was for Council to receive a monthly financial report in accordance with section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, on the progress that has been made in relation to the 2014/15 budget for the period of the financial year up to 28 February 2015.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/46	
Moved Cr Chambers	Seconded Cr Scheffe
That the financial report to 28 February 2015 be received and noted.	
CARRIED	7/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Corporate, Community & Commercial Services
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Item Number: 11.2 File Number: D15/23082

SUBJECT HEADING: BE HEALTHY MARANOA - OPERATIONAL PLAN - PROMOTIONAL MEDIA

Author and Officer's Title: Julie Neil, Manager - Community Services

Executive Summary:

Be Healthy Maranoa was endorsed as a Council managed program in March 2015. Partnership feedback and community identified need has driven the development of an operational plan. Further development and extension of campaign awareness and promotion of the program is required.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/47
Moved Cr Schefe
Seconded Cr Price
That Council:

- Endorse the Be Healthy Maranoa Operational Plan in its current form, with additional 'safety' information and services to be incorporated within the program as it develops.
- Consider the Be Healthy Maranoa campaign awareness and program promotion (\$10,000) during the 2015/16 budget deliberations.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer	Manager - Community Services
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Item Number:

11.3

File Number: D15/24639
SUBJECT HEADING:
COUNCIL INITIATED ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Author and Officer's Title:
Kelly Rogers, Coordinator - Elected Members & Community Engagement
Executive Summary:

As part of Council's draft Community Engagement Strategy, Council has initiated a number of Advisory Committees to seek community and stakeholder input on key projects and businesses of Council. Feedback, or the outcomes of these forums, assists Council to identify priorities, inform decisions and develop future strategies and policies.

This report provided a copy of the confirmed meeting minutes of the Advisory Committees' meetings held during the months of December 2014 – February 2015.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/48
Moved Cr Wason
Seconded Cr Newman
That Council receive and note the confirmed minutes of the following Advisory Committee meetings:

- Airport Advisory Committee meeting – 04/12/14
- Roma Saleyards Advisory Committee meeting – 29/01/15

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Elected Members & Community Engagement
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Item Number: 11.4 **File Number:** D15/24789

SUBJECT HEADING: CONSIDERATION OF ELECTED MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES

Author and Officer's Title: Kelly Rogers, Coordinator - Elected Members & Community Engagement

Executive Summary:

The report sought formalisation of elected member attendance at an upcoming conference as part of advocacy activities and/or enhancing strategy and policy development for Maranoa Regional Council.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/49

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Scheffe

That Council:

1. Endorse the attendance of Cr. Cameron O'Neil who attended the Regional Airport Development Conference in Brisbane on 24 March 2015 as Council's representing guest speaker.
2. Endorse the attendance of the Mayor and Cr. Cameron O'Neil at the National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA15) on 14 – 17 June 2015 in Canberra and their respective partners (to attend the General Assembly dinner only).

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Elected Members & Community Engagement

Item Number: 11.5 **File Number:** D15/24718

SUBJECT HEADING: SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL - FOOD AND FIRE FEST 2015

Author and Officer's Title: Terrance Hyland, Manager - Saleyards

Executive Summary:

Roma Saleyards has an opportunity to sponsor the Farmers and Artisans Markets at the biennial Food and Fire Fest at Bassett Park on 12 September 2015. Part of the Farmers Markets will be a focus on local beef which will be complemented by international food stall markets and a celebrity chef stage (separate sponsorship).

Discussion:

Council discussed the proposal in line with the sponsorship already provided for Food and Fire Fest.

Cr Wason suggested the possibility of the sponsorship being provided subject to a collaborative approach between Roma Saleyards and combined agents.

Council determined that the matter should be laid on the table for consideration at a later point during the meeting.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/50

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Newman

That the matter lay on the table for consideration at a later point during the meeting.

CARRIED

7/0

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Item Number:

12.1

File Number: D15/23495

SUBJECT HEADING:

**REQUEST FOR CAPITAL UPGRADE - BITUMEN SEAL
CORFE ROAD, ROMA**

Author and Officer's Title:

**Kym Downey, Manager - Infrastructure Planning &
Design**

Executive Summary:

Council received a query regarding the timeframe for bitumen sealing of Corfe Road, Roma from Charles Street South to Tiffin Street.

Discussion:

Cr O'Neil noted that the officer's recommendation is consistent for all road requests received by Council throughout the year.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/51

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Schefe

That Roma Golf Club be informed that sealing of this section of Corfe Road, Roma is not included in the current works program, however the request will be included in future budget deliberations, secondary to Council's 10 year capital works plans.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Item Number:

12.2

File Number: D15/24134

SUBJECT HEADING:

**REQUEST FOR CAPITAL UPGRADE - SWERDNA DOWNS
ROAD**

Author and Officer's Title:

**Kym Downey, Manager - Infrastructure Planning &
Design**

Executive Summary:

Council received a request for the installation of a gravel pavement to Swerdna Downs Road

Discussion:

Cr Chambers enquired if, when return correspondence is provided to an enquirer, an estimate for the cost of works is also provided to the enquirer.

Manager Infrastructure Planning & Design advised that this does not currently occur, but it could be included to assist ratepayers to understand the cost of works.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/52

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Wason

That:

1. This request be included in future budget deliberations, secondary to Council's 10 year capital works plans.
2. The cost of works be included in the Council meeting correspondence for this and other similar requests, now and into the future.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Item Number:

12.3

File Number: D15/24295

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FOR CAPITAL UPGRADE - BLYTH CREEK CROSSING, SCATTERING PLAINS ROAD

Author and Officer's Title:

Kym Downey, Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Executive Summary:

Council received a request to upgrade the Blyth Creek Crossing on Scattering Plains Road. .

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/53

Moved Cr Newman

Seconded Cr Chambers

That this request be included in future budget deliberations, secondary to Council's 10 year capital works plans.

Further that the Council meeting correspondence to the resident include the cost of the works.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Item Number:

12.4

File Number: D15/24444

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FOR CAPITAL UPGRADE - GRAVEL PAVEMENT ON WARRONG ROAD, INJUNE

Author and Officer's Title:

Kym Downey, Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Executive Summary:

Council received a request to provide gravel pavement on Warrong Road, Injune.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/54

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Wason

That this request be included in future budget deliberations, secondary to Council's 10 year capital works plans.

Further that the Council meeting correspondence to the resident include the cost of the works.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Item Number:

12.5

File Number: D15/24465

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FOR CAPITAL UPGRADE - FLETCHERS LANE

Author and Officer's Title:

Kym Downey, Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Executive Summary:

Council received a request to provide an all weather access to a property on Fletchers Lane.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/55

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Price

That this request be included in future budget deliberations, secondary to Council's 10 year capital works plans.

Further that the Council meeting correspondence to the resident include the cost of the works.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Item Number:

12.6

File Number: D15/24131

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING

Author and Officer's Title:

Kym Downey, Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

Executive Summary:

Council received a request from Queensland Ambulance Service in Injune for the provision of additional street lighting at the entrance to Injune Hospital.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/56

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council install an additional streetlight on an existing pole at the entrance to Injune Hospital.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Infrastructure Planning & Design

DEVELOPMENT, FACILITIES & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Item Number: 13.1 **File Number:** D15/16196

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST TO LEASE OLD BANK BUILDING

Author and Officer's Title: Josephine Horsfall, Coordinator - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

Surat Aboriginal Corporation sought permission to occupy by way of lease the building known as the 'Old Bank Building', situated at 70 Burrowes Street, Surat. The facility is currently used by Council as the Surat Youth Centre for some school holiday programs and occasional Friday night youth events.

Discussion:

Cr Price noted that this matter was discussed at the most recent Councillor Workshop and as the facility is still being supported by the current users it is best to continue with the current arrangement.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/57

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Wason

That Council advise Surat Aboriginal Corporation that the building known as the 'Old Bank Building' at 70 Burrowes Street, Surat is not available for lease as it is still required for its current use as a youth hub and for Home and Community Care (HACC) activities.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Land Administration

Item Number: 13.2 **File Number:** D15/20900

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL 36/7874 BEING LOT 14 ON WV841

Author and Officer's Title: Josephine Horsfall, Coordinator - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7874 being Lot 14 on WV841 to freehold tenure.

Discussion:

Cr Schefe enquired if, as part of this process, Council checks for roads that may be off alignment that may affect the application.

Director – Development, Facilities & Environmental Services advised that the Facilities team currently check a number of items including travelling stock and weeds, however the process could be amended to include checking for off alignment roads.

Cr Schefe requested that the motion be amended to include the following statement:

'subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment'.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/58
Moved Cr O'Neil
Seconded Cr Chambers

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7874 being Lot 14 on WV841 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Land Administration
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Item Number: 13.3 **File Number:** D15/21202

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL 16/10549 BEING LOT 8 ON BWR117

Author and Officer's Title: Josephine Horsfall, Coordinator - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 16/10549 being Lot 8 on BWR117 to freehold tenure.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/59
Moved Cr Price
Seconded Cr Schefe

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 16/10549 being Lot 8 on BWR117 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Land Administration
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Item Number: 13.4 **File Number:** D15/21261

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL 36/7413 BEING LOT 12 ON DL231

Author and Officer's Title: Josephine Horsfall, Coordinator - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7413 being Lot 12 on DL231 to freehold tenure.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/60
Moved Cr Newman
Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7413 being Lot 12 on DL231 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

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Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Land Administration
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Cr Chambers declared a potential perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item, due to being a friend of the applicant. Cr Chambers elected to remain for discussions on the basis that it would not influence her ability to consider the broader public interest.

Item Number: 13.5 **File Number:** D15/21978

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL 36/7822 BEING LOT 8 ON BDR40

Author and Officer's Title: Josephine Horsfall, Coordinator - Land Administration

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7822 being Lot 8 on BDR40 to freehold tenure.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/61

Moved Cr Wason

Seconded Cr Price

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7822 being Lot 8 on BDR40 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Land Administration

Item Number: 13.6 **File Number:** D15/23054

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL 36/7815B BEING LOT 1 ON WV1958

Author and Officer's Title: Dee Schafer, Support Officer - Facilities

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion of tenure over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7815B being Lot 1 on WV1958 to freehold tenure.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/62

Moved Cr Schefe

Seconded Cr Wason

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion over GHPL 36/7815B being Lot 1 on WV1958 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Support Officer - Facilities

Item Number: 13.7 **File Number:** D15/23077

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL
36/7425 BEING LOT 1 ON TM16

Author and Officer's Title: Dee Schafer, Support Officer - Facilities

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7425 being Lot 1 on TM16 to freehold tenure.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/63

Moved Cr Newman

Seconded Cr Price

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion over GHPL 36/7425 being Lot 1 on TM16 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Support Officer - Facilities

Item Number: 13.8 **File Number:** D15/23100

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL
36/7379 BEING LOT 3 ON TM17 AND LOT 2 ON TM70

Author and Officer's Title: Dee Schafer, Support Officer - Facilities

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7379 being Lot 3 on TM17 and Lot 2 on TM70 to freehold tenure.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/64

Moved Cr Wason

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion over GHPL 36/7379 being Lot 3 on TM17 and Lot 2 on TM70 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Support Officer - Facilities

Item Number: 13.9 **File Number:** D15/23123

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF TENURE - GHPL 36/7854 BEING LOT 2 ON BDR60

Author and Officer's Title: Dee Schafer, Support Officer - Facilities

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an application it has received for conversion over Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease (GHPL) 36/7854 being Lot 2 on BDR60 to freehold tenure.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/65

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Price

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that it has no objection to the conversion over GHPL 36/7854 being Lot 2 on BDR60 to freehold tenure, subject to a review of the land, to ensure there is no local government infrastructure on the property, including roads that may be off alignment.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Support Officer - Facilities

Item Number: 13.10 **File Number:** D15/23665

SUBJECT HEADING: APPLICATION TO LEASE LOT 25 ON CP903190

Author and Officer's Title: Dee Schafer, Support Officer - Facilities

Executive Summary:

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines sought Council's views on an Application for a New Term Lease over Lot 25 on CP903190. The proposed use of the land is grazing.

Discussion:

Cr Chambers enquired if a condition in relation to fire control should be included in point six of the motion. Council agreed this would be appropriate.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/66

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr Wason

That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that:

- Lot 25 on CP903190 is still required for its gazetted purpose;
- Council is not at this time in a position to offer the current lessee a Trustee Lease or Trustee Permit over the land;
- Council has no objection to the granting of a New Term Lease over Lot 25 on CP903190 subject to the following conditions:
 - The leased area is to have a stock proof fence to eliminate domestic grazing stock from entering nearby road reserve/s;
 - The leased area is to be used for grazing purposes only, and in such a manner so as the land is not degraded as far as reasonably practical from this specified use;

- The lessee has a duty of care, to take all reasonable and practicable measures to sustainably manage the permit area and undertake appropriate fire controls;
 - Any weeds identified in the Land (Pest and Stock Route) Management Act are to be controlled in such a manner that will not allow the spread of seed onto adjoining land or land further down any water course and or creek;
 - Should any weeds identified in the Land (Pest and Stock Route) Management Act be identified within the confines of the special lease land, the lessee is to notify the Department Natural Resources and Mines and the Local Government of the weed as soon as practicably possible;
 - Authorised Council officers must be allowed entry to carry out inspections in relation to weeds.
- CARRIED 7/0

Responsible Officer	Support Officer - Facilities
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Cr Price declared a potential perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item, due to the correspondence having been submitted by a relative of hers. Cr Price elected to remain for discussions on the basis that it would not influence her ability to consider the broader public interest.

Item Number: 13.11 **File Number: D15/23172**

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - STORAGE SHEDS

Author and Officer's Title: Dee Schafer, Support Officer - Facilities

Executive Summary:

Council received correspondence from Surat Clay Target Club expressing interest in acquiring two Council owned storage sheds located outside of the new flood levee in McPhie Street, Roma.

Discussion:

Cr Newman enquired on the timeframe for this process, including the call for expressions of interest.

Manager – Facilities advised that expressions of interest would likely be open for a period of three weeks (in line with Council's tender process), after which time the matter would be presented to Council for further consideration. The total estimated timeframe would be five weeks.

Cr O'Neil enquired about initial correspondence to the Club, and also suggested that the Club be contacted following the meeting to advise of the process that will occur.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/67

Moved Cr O'Neil **Seconded Cr Scheffe**

That Council invite expressions of interest from not-for-profit community groups located in the Maranoa region and interested in acquiring the storage sheds located on Council property at 7 McPhie Street, Roma with removal costs and reestablishment of the buildings at the new site to be borne by the successful applicant organisation.

Council requires that the advertising for and assessment of received Expressions of Interest be presented to Council for further consideration within five weeks of this meeting date.

CARRIED 7/0

Responsible Officer	Support Officer - Facilities
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Item Number: 13.12 **File Number:** D15/23384

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - ROMA AND DISTRICT LAPIDARY AND MINERALS SOCIETY

Author and Officer's Title: Dee Schafer, Support Officer - Facilities

Executive Summary:

Council has been approached by the Roma and District Lapidary and Minerals Society requesting that Council construct a landing and disability access ramp to their premises which are located on Council land, with work preferably completed before 30 and 31 May 2015.

This matter was previously considered at the General Meeting held on 11 March 2015 where Council resolved to further investigate the cost to construct a landing and disability access ramp at the front of the Lapidary clubhouse, with this information to be presented at the next General Meeting on 25 March 2015 for consideration.

Discussion:

Cr Chambers requested that point two of the motion be amended to change the word 'considerations' to 'constraints'.

Cr O'Neil noted that this is a small but important community group and Council looks forward to the club's 50 year celebrations in May. Cr O'Neil further noted that he would be advocating during the 2015/16 budget deliberations that this project be funded.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/68

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Price

That Council:

- 1. Consider in the 2015/16 capital budget deliberations the construction of a landing and disability access ramp at the front of the Lapidary clubhouse.**
- 2. Advise the Roma and District Lapidary and Minerals Society that due to budgetary constraints Council cannot complete this project in the current financial year.**

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Support Officer - Facilities

Item Number: 13.13 **File Number:** D15/24404

SUBJECT HEADING: COUNCIL SWIMMING POOLS

Author and Officer's Title: Amanda Schneekloth, Coordinator - Buildings & Structures Maintenance

Executive Summary:

Council maintains five swimming pool complexes and the Great Artesian Spa complex, a total of ten pools across the region. The pools are operated by contractors under management arrangements. As requested by Council, contractors now provide monthly reports to Council identifying attendance, pool temperatures, chemical levels, maintenance issues and consumables.

Reports for the month of February were presented for Council's information.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/69

Moved Cr Wason

Seconded Cr Newman

That Council receive and note the regional swimming pool reports for the month of February.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

**Coordinator - Buildings & Structures
Maintenance**

Item Number:

13.14

File Number: D15/22063

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST TO CHANGE AN EXISTING APPROVAL FOR A MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE - "INDUSTRY (HIGH IMPACT INDUSTRY)" AND "CARETAKERS RESIDENCE"

Location:

40742 Warrego Highway, Jackson (properly described as Lot 28 on BWR122 and Lot 26 on BWR145)

Applicant:

Westrex Services Pty Ltd C/- Duggan & Hede Pty Ltd

Author and Officer's Title:

Christopher Tickner, Town Planner

Executive Summary:

On behalf of WestRex Services Pty Ltd, the applicant sought a request to change an existing approval that was granted for the establishment of a waste treatment and resource recovery facility at 4072 Warrego Highway, Jackson (Lot 28 on Plan BWR122 and Lot 26 on Plan BWR 145).

The request to change is required to reflect minor site layout changes, which have occurred over time as a result of detailed design and construction of the waste management facility, and in response to fluctuations in the waste acceptance rates for specific types of waste (all originally approved to be received at the facility).

As part of separate correspondence, the applicant has also requested written advice from Council in regards to the inclusion of an additional Environmentally Relevant Activity (ERA) at the property. The additional ERA, an ERA 60 1(b), would provide for the annual disposal of 50,000t to 100,000t of general waste (mainly construction and demolition waste). Advice to the applicant has been that this will require a separate application for a new use "Undefined Use" (Utility Installation).

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/70

Moved Cr Newman

Seconded Cr Price

That Council:

- 1. Approve the request to change an existing approval to reflect minor site layout changes, that have resulted during the detailed design and construction phase of the waste management facility, and in response to fluctuations in the waste acceptance rates of specific types for waste originally approved to be received at the facility.**
- 2. Issue an amended decision notice incorporating the following changes:**
 - a) Delete Fig. 4 – Supporting Information For Integrated Waste Management Facility Property Aerial Image;**
 - b) Replace the approved Site Layout Plan B0129-20-01 Rev D with Site Layout Plan –WE413-00-01 dated 05/14;**

<p>c) Replace approved Waste Facility Site Plan B0129-20-02 Rev B with Operation Area Plan – WE413-00-02 dated 05/14.</p> <p>3. Advise the applicant that their request to delete references to the Site Based Management Plan as an approved document in the decision notice be refused as Condition 4 allows for the evolution of the document over the life of the development.</p>
<p>CARRIED 7/0</p>

Responsible Officer	Town Planner
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Item Number: 13.15 File Number: D15/24880

SUBJECT HEADING: REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION - ANGEL FLIGHT OUTBACK QUEENSLAND TRAILBLAZER

Author and Officer's Title: Megan Swords, Coordinator - Tourism

Executive Summary:

Following the Councillor Workshop in November 2014, Mr Lance Smith, organiser of the Angel Flight Outback Trailblazer, contacted Council's Coordinator – Tourism to ascertain whether any representatives would be attending the 2015 event from Quilpie to Winton.

Mr Smith suggested that he would be happy to accommodate representatives for any or all of the days and is of the opinion that the Quilpie to Birdsville leg would be of great value to Maranoa Regional Council.

Mr Smith has also requested sponsorship from Council in the form of a 4WD vehicle for use by event staff. The vehicle would be collected and returned to the Maranoa with fuel and incidental costs to be covered by Angel Flight Outback Trailblazer.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/71	
Moved Cr Price	Seconded Cr Newman
That Council:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support the Angel Flight Outback Queensland Trailblazer by way of registering one vehicle and two participants to attend the event from 18 – 22 April 2015 travelling from Quilpie to Birdsville, at a cost of \$2,964. 2. Support the 2015 Angel Flight Outback Queensland Trailblazer by way of sponsoring the cost of a hired vehicle for the event crew to use from 20 – 27 April 2015 at a cost of approximately \$1,454.34. 	
<p>These funds are to be allocated from the Assistance to Regional Events budget (W14482.2537)</p>	
CARRIED	7/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Tourism
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Item Number: 13.16 **File Number:** D15/25110

SUBJECT HEADING: OUTBACK QUEENSLAND TOURISM DIGITAL NETWORK

Author and Officer's Title: Megan Swords, Coordinator - Tourism

Executive Summary:

Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) has recently formed a Digital Marketing Network, designed as an informal collaborative platform that allows them to source content, request contacts and ideas for familiarisation tours and itineraries, promote workshops and industry events and to ensure that the members are engaged in the digital marketing program and sending out consistent messaging.

The network is set up through a closed Facebook group, with content not being open to the public. There may be flow on benefits from the network e.g. operators and councils can share ideas and information without OQTA involvement e.g. best place to have brochures printed, requests for co-operative marketing campaigns and promotion of local events.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/72

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Wason

That Council accept the invitation from Outback Queensland Tourism Association to become a participant in the Tourism Digital Networking and nominate Council's Coordinator – Tourism as the representative from the Maranoa.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Tourism

Item Number: 13.17 **File Number:** D15/25026

SUBJECT HEADING: WALLUMBILLA CALICO COTTAGE

Author and Officer's Title: Susan (Sue) Sands, (Acting) Coordinator - Local Development & Council Events

Executive Summary:

Funds are available in the 2014/15 budget for a landscaping project at the Wallumbilla Calico Cottage and Heritage Precinct site. Given the possibility of future plans for the precinct involving infrastructure works, discussions have been held about the staging of landscaping works. It was recommended that these allocated funds be transferred to the development of a master plan for the site.

Discussion:

Cr O'Neil noted that Calico Cottage is a premier location for tourists travelling through the Maranoa. He also noted the importance of working with the community in revamping the precinct and having the dry creek bed tidied up as a matter of priority.

Local Development Officer Yuleba/Wallumbilla advised that the historic railway carriage acquired by the Wallumbilla Heritage Association is required to be moved by this Friday. The Association's preference is for the carriage to be stored on site.

Cr Chambers noted that while the railway carriage will be a fantastic addition to the site, there may be several safety concerns with storing it on site if it is not currently in suitable condition to be walked on.

Local Development Officer Yuleba/Wallumbilla advised that the carriage is suitable for viewing only at this stage and would need to be stored in a secure location or barricaded off for public safety.

Cr Price requested that the reasons for pausing this request be communicated to the group.

Cr O'Neil requested that in the event that a meeting regarding this matter was scheduled with the community, Councillors be invited to attend.

Cr Newman queried if the Association has the ability to make alternative arrangements for the carriage or if Council would be required to move and store the carriage.

Council discussed possible locations for storage of the carriage which would eliminate negative aesthetic impacts to the heritage precinct and safety concerns.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/73

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Newman

That Council:

1. Place all scoped and costed Calico Cottage and Heritage Precinct landscape work on hold and use the 2014/15 budget allocation to design, in consultation with the community, a master plan that incorporates a Visitor Information Centre and library.
2. As a priority, tidy the dry creek bed in front of the Precinct.
3. Allow for the railway carriage to be stored at Council's Wallumbilla Works Depot.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

(Acting) Coordinator - Local Development & Council Events

Item Number:

13.18

File Number: D15/25071

SUBJECT HEADING:

**GARTH COX PARK & CENOTAPH PRECINCT
LANDSCAPING**

Author and Officer's Title:

**Penelope Howland, Local Development Officer
Yuleba/Wallumbilla**

Executive Summary:

The community's original request to landscape around Yuleba's cenotaph in Garth Cox Park, while solving short term space problems, is not necessarily the best solution to deliver to the community a beautiful and functional space. A master plan for the entire precinct was recommended.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/74

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Wason

That Council place all scoped and costed Garth Cox Park and Cenotaph precinct landscape work on hold and use the 2014/15 budget allocation to design a master plan for the precinct in consultation with the community.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

**Local Development Officer
Yuleba/Wallumbilla**

LATE ITEMS

Item Number: L.1 **File Number:** D15/26465

SUBJECT HEADING: PETITION WALLUMBILLA TOWN WATER SUPPLY

Author and Councillor's Title: Cr. Kelly Rogers

Executive Summary:

Council received a petition from residents in the town of Wallumbilla dated 23 March 2015, requesting "that the quality of the Wallumbilla town water supply be improved." The petition contained the personal details and signatures of 37 residents.

The received petition met Council's lodgment requirements for formal submission of a petition. These guidelines were endorsed at the General Meeting on 25 February 2015.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/75
Moved Cr Schefe
Seconded Cr Price

That Council receive the petition from the Wallumbilla community regarding the quality of their water supply, as presented.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer
Coordinator - Elected Members & Community Engagement

SUBJECT HEADING: SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS
 COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING FOR MORNING TEA AT 10.06AM.

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
 COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING AT 11.09AM.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council resolved to close the meeting to discuss items it has deemed to be of a confidential nature and specifically pertaining to the following sections:

- (a) the appointment, dismissal or discipline of employees;
- (c) the local government budget;
- (d) rating concessions;
- (e) contracts proposed to be made by it;
- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage;

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/76
Moved Cr Schefe
Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council close the meeting to the public at 11.09am.

CARRIED

7/0

Cr Wason declared a potential perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in item C.9 due to him owning the parcel of land on which Mt Saltbush Quarry is sited, the operation of which sees him entitled to payment of royalties (funds) for material extracted from the site. Cr Wason left the Chamber at 11.35am, taking no further part in discussion or debate on the matter.

At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr Wason entered the Chamber at 11.38am.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/77

Moved Cr Wason

Seconded Cr Newman

That Council open the meeting to the public at 12.55pm.

CARRIED

7/0

SUBJECT HEADING: SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS
 COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING FOR LUNCH AT 12.55PM.

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
 COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING AT 1.39PM.

LATE ITEMS

Item Number:

L.1

File Number: D15/26465

SUBJECT HEADING:

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Author and Councillor's Title:

Cr. Kelly Rogers

Executive Summary:

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The received petition met Council's lodgment requirements for formal submission of a petition. These guidelines were endorsed at the General Meeting on 25 February 2015.

Discussion:

Manager – Water, Sewerage & Gas provided an update on investigations regarding the Wallumbilla water quality petition, advising that test results have remained consistent over the last three years, with the water quality meeting the legislative requirements and the aesthetic quality guidelines.

Cr Price enquired on the cost of an advanced treatment plant.

Manager – Water, Sewerage & Gas advised that the capital and ongoing costs for a population of approximately 375 people would be significant.

Cr Wason enquired if the water quality results for Wallumbilla were comparable to Roma.

Manager – Water, Sewerage & Gas advised that the results were comparable to Roma, Jackson and Yuleba.

Cr Chambers enquired if it is possible to provide this information to the lead petitioner.

Manager – Water, Sewerage & Gas advised confirmed that Council could advise that the water quality test results have been consistent over the past three years. Testing and analysis is done regularly and Council must adhere to reporting levels within government.

Cr Newman requested if the response could include the potential for individual home owners to install personal water conditioning systems.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/78

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr Scheffe

That an interim fact sheet be circulated to the Wallumbilla community and the lead petitioner (for review by Councillors prior to distribution) and that this information also be included in a Wallumbilla Town & Surrounds E-Bulletin.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

**Manager - Water, Sewerage & Gas
Corporate Communications Officer**

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Item Number:

C.1

File Number: D15/22403

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FOR REBATE ON WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGES

Location:

A/s No. 13001318

Author and Officer's Title:

Dana Harrison, Coordinator - Rates

Executive Summary:

The applicant requested a rebate on their water consumption charges as pipes in their house burst due to fluctuation in water pressure from the water mains.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/79

Moved Cr Scheffe

Seconded Cr Wason

That Council rebate to the applicant the amount of \$47.58 being the difference of what is expected to be billed this current period to the calculated averaged usage of the same period.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Rates

Item Number:

C.2

File Number: D15/23270

SUBJECT HEADING:

ST VINCENT DE PAUL - OFFICE SPACE REQUEST - ROMA COMMUNITY HUB

Author and Officer's Title:

Julie Neil, Manager - Community Services

Executive Summary:

St Vincent de Paul was successful in negotiations with the Department of Housing and Public Works and is the new provider of the Crisis Accommodation program within the Maranoa region.

Due to the temporary nature of the current service agreement with the Department of Housing and Public Works (expiry 30 September 2015) and the limited funding associated with the program, St Vincent de Paul has requested office space within the Community Hub and a waiver of the rental fee during this period.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/80

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Chambers

That Council approve St Vincent de Paul to occupy two office spaces within the Roma Community Hub for the duration of their service agreement (1 April – 30 September 2015) at no cost and that this be reflected in a formal agreement.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Community Services

Item Number:

C.3

File Number: D15/24737

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FROM ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS QUEENSLAND (RSPCA) TO PARTICIPATE IN OPERATION WANTED

Author and Officer's Title:

Susan (Sue) Sands, (Acting) Coordinator - Local Development & Council Events

Executive Summary:

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Queensland (RSPCA) requested that Council make a financial contribution to 'Operation Wanted', an initiative promoting de-sexing of dogs and cats.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/81

Moved Cr Newman

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council:

- 1. Decline the request from the RSPCA for a financial contribution.**
- 2. Consider allocating funds in the 2015/16 budget for a local education program for de-sexing and microchipping of dogs and cats in collaboration with local vets.**

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

(Acting) Coordinator - Local Development & Council Events

Item Number:

C.4

File Number: D15/25005

SUBJECT HEADING:

ROMA TOURISM ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

Author and Officer's Title:

Megan Swords, Coordinator - Tourism

Executive Summary:

Roma Tourism Association Inc. recently distributed their membership subscriptions. Council has been requested to pay a six month membership fee of \$50.00. Payment of this subscription would be used to enhance the association's ability to compete for government grants for the development of tourism in Roma.

In the past, Council has declined membership of such associations due to the precedent that it sets for membership to all local associations.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/82

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Schefe

That Council decline the request for membership from Roma Tourism Association but continue to provide support to the Association in the form of co-management of the Roma Visitor Information Centre, and offer assistance to develop their Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Tourism

Item Number:

C.5

File Number: D15/24264

SUBJECT HEADING:

**MITCHELL AND AMBY DRAINAGE STUDY -
CONSULTANCY AGREEMENT BMT WBM PTY LTD**

Author and Officer's Title:

Scott Turner, Project Manager

Executive Summary:

BMT WBM Pty Ltd has previously undertaken flood studies for Mitchell and Amby flood mitigation. The consultancy agreement attached to the officer's report is further to the previous agreement for Mitchell and Amby.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/83

Moved Cr Chambers

Seconded Cr Newman

That Council endorse the Chief Executive Officer to sign the consultancy agreement with BMT WBM Pty Ltd to provide the Master Drainage Study for Mitchell and Amby flood mitigation, noting that:

- **The Master Drainage Study for Mitchell is estimated to cost \$66,085 (excluding GST) (Account number GL2201.2118 – Mitchell Flood Mitigation budget) with 40% of the cost being funded through the 2014/15 Natural Disaster Resilience Program.**
- **The Master Drainage Study for Amby is estimated to cost \$35,260 (excluding GST) (Account number GL2201.2115 – Amby Flood Mitigation budget).**

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Project Manager

Item Number:

C.6

File Number: D15/25010

SUBJECT HEADING:

**TENDER 15014 - OPERATION OF THE ROMA
SALEYARDS CANTEEN**

Author and Officer's Title:

**Christina Tincknell, Coordinator - Corporate, Community
& Commercial Services**

Executive Summary:

Tenders were called for the operation of the Roma Saleyards canteen. Tenders closed on 13 March 2015, with two tender applications submitted. Tender evaluations were completed and are outlined in the officer's report.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/84

Moved Cr Wason

Seconded Cr O'Neil

That Council appoint Café 54 as the successful tenderer for the operation of the Roma Saleyards canteen for a period of two years and accept the tendered price of \$300 per week in rent.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Corporate, Community & Commercial Services

Item Number:

C.7

File Number: D15/21162

SUBJECT HEADING:

AIRPORT MONTHLY BUSINESS UNIT REPORT - FEBRUARY 2015

Author and Officer's Title:

Ben Jones, Manager - Airports (Roma, Injune, Surat & Mitchell)

Executive Summary:

This monthly report was presented to Council to provide a summary of the performance of Council's airports over the past month and year to date. The information in this report aims to review the month's activities, give an overview of financial performance and bring to Council's attention any emerging issues.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/85

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Price

That Council receive and note the officer's report as presented.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Manager - Airports (Roma, Injune, Surat & Mitchell)

Item Number:

C.8

File Number: D15/20524

SUBJECT HEADING:

BUSINESS ACTIVITY REPORT - SALEYARDS

Author and Officer's Title:

Deborah Bond, Support Officer - Corporate & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

This monthly report was presented to Council to provide a summary of the performance of Council's saleyards over the past month and year to date. The information in this report aims to review the month's activities, give an overview of financial performance and bring to Council's attention any emerging issues.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/86

Moved Cr Price

Seconded Cr Chambers

That Council receive and note the officer's report as presented.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Support Officer - Corporate & Commercial Services

Cr Wason declared a potential perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item due to him owning the parcel of land on which Mt Saltbush Quarry is sited, the operation of which sees him entitled to payment of royalties (funds) for material extracted from the site. Cr Wason left the Chamber at 1.59pm, taking no further part in discussion or debate on the matter.

Item Number: C.9 **File Number:** D15/24903

SUBJECT HEADING: BUSINESS ACTIVITY REPORT - ROMA QUARRY

Author and Officer's Title: Deborah Bond, Support Officer - Corporate & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

This monthly report was presented to Council to provide a summary of the performance of Council's quarry over the past month and year to date. The information in this report aims to review the month's activities, give an overview of financial performance and bring to Council's attention any emerging issues.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/87	
Moved Cr Wason	Seconded Cr Price
That Council receive and note the officer's report as presented.	
CARRIED	6/0

Responsible Officer	Support Officer - Corporate & Commercial Services
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At cessation of discussion and debate on the abovementioned item, Cr Wason entered the Chamber at 2.00pm.

Item Number: C.10 **File Number:** D15/24920

SUBJECT HEADING: MINOR AMENDMENTS TO ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

Author and Officer's Title: Erin Tompkins, Associate to the CEO & Mayor

Executive Summary:

The report sought Council approval for a number of changes to the organisational structure. The report also provided an update on the restructure of the Roads, Drainage and Parks department and sought endorsement of proposed changes.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/88	
Moved Cr Price	Seconded Cr Wason
That:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The organisational structure be amended to incorporate the following changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove the position Specialist – Grants (Council and Community); Retitle the position of Coordinator – Local Development and Council Events to Coordinator – Grants, Local Development and Council Events and transfer the duties of the previous Specialist – Grants (Council and Community) role to this position; Create a new full time position of Grants Officer, reporting to Coordinator – Grants, Local Development and Council Events; 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retitle the position of Coordinator – Sport and Recreation to Specialist – Sport and Recreation; • Retitle the position of Support/Project Officer to Support/Project Officer – Economic and Community Development; • Adopt the revised Roads, Drainage and Parks departmental structure, as included in the officer’s report. <p>2. Council note that the proposed structure of the Community Safety unit will be presented to the next General Meeting.</p> <p>3. Council approve the use of a contractor while recruitment for the position of Specialist – SharePoint takes place.</p>
<p>CARRIED 7/0</p>

Responsible Officer	Associate to the CEO & Mayor
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LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Item Number: LC.1 **File Number: D15/26041**

SUBJECT HEADING: LANDSCAPING ROMA AIRPORT

Author and Officer’s Title: Evan Woods, Manager - Roads, Drainage & Parks

Executive Summary:

Subsequent to the Councillor Workshop on 10 March 2015, Infrastructure Services engaged Rounsefell Design to develop a detailed landscaping concept design for the Roma Airport. This was done to ensure that in collaboration with Council, the comprehensive cost estimate for construction addressed the constructability and serviceability and maintenance requirements identified during a design review. Consideration and approval of this design was requested, given potential demobilisation costs at approximately \$8,700.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/89	
Moved Cr O'Neil	Seconded Cr Price
<p>That Council approve the landscape design for the Roma Airport, as presented, at a cost of \$297,153.50 (excluding GST), funded through the Airport Capital Works budget (W11201.2091).</p>	
CARRIED	7/0

Responsible Officer	Manager - Roads, Drainage & Parks Specialist – Strategic Finance
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Item Number: LC.2 **File Number: D15/26430**

SUBJECT HEADING: RURAL HOUSING SERVICE CENTRE PILOT PROJECT

Author and Officer’s Title: Christina Tincknell, Coordinator - Corporate, Community & Commercial Services

Executive Summary:

The Department of Housing and Public Works has provided further information regarding the Rural Housing Service Centre Pilot held by Maranoa Regional Council for the Miscamble Street housing development.

As Council has resolved not to register with the new Part 4A of the Housing Act 2003, Council is required to end its funding relationship with the Department and return any surplus funds accumulated.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/90

Moved Cr Wason

Seconded Cr Newman

That Council seek from the Department of Housing and Public Works approval for an extension of the Rural Housing Service Pilot Specifications Agreement for 12 months, to explore other options with the Department for the expenditure of the Rural Housing Service Centre Pilot surplus on innovative local solutions for social and affordable housing in the Maranoa region.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Coordinator - Corporate, Community & Commercial Services

The Mayor declared a potential perceived 'Conflict of Interest' in the following item, due to being a committee member for Roma Rugby Union Club. The Mayor elected to remain for discussions on the basis that it would not influence his ability to consider the broader public interest.

Item Number:

LC.3

File Number: D15/26652

SUBJECT HEADING:

REQUEST FOR REDUCED PASSENGER TAX AND LANDING FEES

Author and Officer's Title:

Erin Tompkins, Associate to the CEO & Mayor

Executive Summary:

Roma Rugby Union Club is hosting a premier grade rugby match on 16 May 2015. The Club has requested Council's support of the event in the form of reduced or fully waived passenger taxes and landing fees at Roma Airport for the 68 participants who are travelling from Brisbane for the event.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/91

Moved Cr O'Neil

Seconded Cr Newman

That subject to the services not being required for the particular flight, Council will waive the portion of the fee attributable to the screening service.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Associate to the CEO & Mayor

Item Number:

11.5

File Number: D15/24718

SUBJECT HEADING:

SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL - FOOD AND FIRE FEST 2015

Author and Officer's Title:

Terrance Hyland, Manager - Saleyards

Executive Summary:

Roma Saleyards has an opportunity to sponsor the Farmers and Artisans Markets at the biennial Food and Fire Fest at Bassett Park on 12 September 2015. Part of the Farmer Markets will be a focus on local beef which will be complemented by international food stall markets and a celebrity chef stage (separate sponsorship).

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/92
Moved Cr Wason
Seconded Cr O'Neil

That the report not be considered at this meeting, and be withdrawn from Council's agenda, having regard to the pre-existing level of commitment to the Food and Fire Fest.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer
Manager - Saleyards
Item Number:

L.2

SUBJECT HEADING:
ROMA WATER PLAY PARK - SOFTFALL
Author and Officer's Title::
Tanya Mansfield, Manager - Facilities
Executive Summary:

Council has conducted community consultation on the plans for the water play park to be constructed at Denise Spencer Memorial Pool in Roma. In response to feedback received, Council staff have costed the installation of softfall product to various areas of the planned water play park. Three options were presented to Council for consideration.

As installation of softfall was not part of the original project scope, if Council opts to proceed with installation of this product, additional funds will need to be identified in the budget.

Discussion:

Cr Newman enquired when works could start.

Manager – Facilities confirmed that construction of the water play park could commence while Denise Spencer Memorial Pool is still open to ensure it is finished for peak season.

Resolution No. GM/03.2015/93
Moved Cr O'Neil
Seconded Cr Newman

That Council approve option one, being the installation of 230m² of softfall as part of the Roma Water Play Park at a cost of \$49,765 (excluding GST), with funds to be transferred from the capital budget for Bassett Park Netball Courts (W15241.6000).

CARRIED

6/1

Responsible Officer
**Manager - Facilities
Specialist - Strategic Finance**
CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 2.24pm.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next General Meeting of Council to be held on 8 April 2015, at Roma Administration Centre.

 Mayor

 Date