

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MARANOA REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT ROMA ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON 24 MARCH 2026 SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE AT 9:00 AM

ATTENDANCE

Deputy Mayor Cr C J O'Neil chaired the meeting with, Cr J R P Birkett (by Microsoft Teams), Cr M K Brumpton, Cr A K Davis, Cr P J Flynn, Cr J M Hancock (by Microsoft Teams), Cr B R Seawright (by Microsoft Teams), Cr J R Vincent (by Microsoft Teams), Deputy Chief Executive Officer – Cameron Hoffmann and Kelly Rogers Minutes Officer in attendance.

AS REQUIRED

Director Regional Development, Environment and Planning – Jamie Gorry, Manager - Tourism & Community Development – Tony Klein, Manager - Facility & Property Services – Leah Cooper, Manager – Roads Strategy – Jarvis Black, Coordinator – Tourism – Georgia Nichols.

WELCOME

The Chair welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 9.08am, noting that Mayor Taylor and CEO were in Canberra as part of a SWQROC delegation to meet with all neighbouring council's speaking with decision makers in Canberra.

APOLOGIES

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/16	
Moved Cr Brumpton	Seconded Cr Davis
That apologies be received and leave of absence granted for Cr. Taylor for this meeting.	
CARRIED	8/0

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/17	
Moved Cr Davis	Seconded Cr Brumpton
That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12 March 2026 be confirmed.	
CARRIED	8/0

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/18	
Moved Cr Brumpton	Seconded Cr Vincent
That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 18 March 2026 be confirmed.	
CARRIED	8/0

BUSINESS

OFFICE OF THE CEO

Declaration of Interest

Item	10.1
Description	Upcoming Deputations and Briefing Topics / Councillor Briefings April 2026
Declaring Councillor	Amber Davis
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	Myself and my husband, Wayne Davis.
Particulars of Interest	We own and operate Bessie's Ice-Cream Bus and have attended the Roma Halloween Celebrations, Australia Day event and the Maranoa Street Christmas Party which is listed in the report.
Type of conflict	Declarable conflict of interest
Action Remain	Although I have a declarable conflict of interest, I do not believe a reasonable person could have a perception of bias. Therefore, I will choose to remain in the meeting and participate in the briefing. However, I will respect the decision of the meeting on whether I can remain and participate in the discussions.

Moved Cr Brumpton	Seconded Cr Flynn
<p>That it is in the public interest that Councillor Davis participates and votes on agenda item 10.1 because a reasonable person would trust that the decision is made in the public interest.</p>	
<p>NO VOTE TAKEN</p>	

No vote was taken on the draft procedural motion at that time, with further discussion undertaken regarding other potential conflicts. Cr Brumpton identified a conflict in relation to one of the topics listed in the report. This being the case, an alternate procedural motion was put forward-

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/19	
Moved Cr Flynn	Seconded Cr Seawright
<p>That it is in the public interest that Councillor Davis participates and votes on agenda item 10.1 because a reasonable person would trust that the decision is made in the public interest.</p>	
CARRIED	6/0

Declaration of Interest

Item	10.1
Description	Upcoming Deputations and Briefing Topics / Councillor Briefings April 2026
Declaring Councillor	Meryl Brumpton
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	Myself
Particulars of Interest	My daughter Erin Brumpton works at Roma library which will be mentioned in the Halloween Post Event Report.
Type of conflict	Declarable conflict of interest
Action	Although I have a declarable conflict of interest, I do not believe a reasonable person could have a perception of bias. Therefore, I will choose to remain in the meeting and participate in the briefing. However, I will respect the decision of the meeting on whether I can remain and participate in the discussions.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/20	
Moved Cr Flynn	Seconded Cr Vincent
<p>That it is in the public interest that Councillor Brumpton participates and votes on agenda item 10.1 because a reasonable person would trust that the decision is made in the public interest.</p>	
CARRIED	5/1

Item Number: 10.1 **File Number:** D26/25250

SUBJECT HEADING: UPCOMING DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFING TOPICS | COUNCILLOR BRIEFINGS APRIL 2026

Officer's Title: Coordinator - Executive & Elected Member Support Services

Executive Summary:

This report provided a summary of proposed topics scheduled for Councillor Briefings during the month of April 2026.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/21	
Moved Cr Davis	Seconded Cr Brumpton
<p>That Council receive and note the Officer's report as presented noting the addition to Quarries in the monthly reports and small business month in the briefing topics.</p>	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Executive & Elected Member Support Services
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Section 150F A (2)(e) of the Local Government Act 2009

For a matter to which the prescribed conflict of interest or declarable conflict of interest relates – the name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter, and how each eligible councillor voted.

Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Cr. John Birkett, Cr. Meryl Brumpton, Cr. Amber Davis, Cr. Peter Flynn, Cr Johanne Hancock, Cr. Cameron O'Neil, Cr Brendan Seawright, Cr. Jane Vincent.

How each eligible councillors voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion.

CORPORATE SERVICES

Item Number:	11.1	File Number: D26/27360
SUBJECT HEADING:	MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2026	
Officer's Title:	Chief Financial Officer Director - Corporate Services Management Accountant Coordinator - Financial Planning & Performance	

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report is to present the monthly financial report to Council in accordance with section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period ended 28 February 2026.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/22
Moved Cr Brumpton
Seconded Cr Davis
That Council note the Monthly Financial Report for the period ended 28 February 2026.

CARRIED

8/0

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING
Declaration of Interest

Item	13.1
Description	In-kind Assistance and Fee Waiver Request - Mitchell Show Society 2026 Annual Show
Declaring Councillor	Johanne Hancock
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	Steven Hancock is my brother in law, and is the vice president of the Mitchell Show Society.
Particulars of Interest	Mitchell Show Society is requesting in kind assistance for the annual Mitchell Show 2026.
Type of conflict	Prescribed Conflict of Interest
Action	Leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

Cr Hancock left the meeting at 9.27am.

Item Number: 13.1 **File Number:** D26/21442
SUBJECT HEADING: IN-KIND ASSISTANCE AND FEE WAIVER REQUEST - MITCHELL SHOW SOCIETY 2026 ANNUAL SHOW.
Location: Mitchell
Officer's Title: Local Development Officer - Mitchell

Executive Summary:

Council received a request from the Mitchell Show Society for a fee waiver and in-kind assistance to support the delivery of the 2026 Mitchell Show, scheduled for 11–12 May 2026.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/23

Moved Cr Birkett

Seconded Cr Vincent

That Council:

1. Approve a fee waiver of \$7,072 for the use of the Mitchell Showgrounds Shed and Grounds from 2–14 May 2026 for the Mitchell Show, with show dates scheduled for 11–12 May 2026.
2. Approve the in-kind assistance request for the following to the value of \$4,333.20:
 - a. Assistance with formatting and printing of the annual Show schedule
 - b. Provision of a water truck and driver to aid dust suppression
 - c. Provision of rubbish bins, including rubbish collection during and post-show
 - d. Provision of the floating stage
 - e. Cleaning of the toilets prior to the Show
 - f. Supply of the Parenting Van for the duration of the Show
3. Require that Council be acknowledged in all forms of promotion of the event.
4. Draw associated costs for the use of the Showgrounds Shed from General Ledger 2887.2412.2132 - Internal Contributions - Community Service obligations for fee waivers.
5. Draw associated costs for the In-kind assistance to Work Order 2883.2014.2001 – In-kind assistance Mitchell operations.

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Local Development Officer - Mitchell

Section 150F A (2)(e) of the Local Government Act 2009

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Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Cr. John Birkett, Cr. Meryl Brumpton, Cr. Amber Davis, Cr. Peter Flynn, Cr. Cameron O'Neil, Cr Brendan Seawright, Cr. Jane Vincent.

How each eligible councillors voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion.

At cessation of discussion and decision on the abovementioned item, Cr Hancock returned to the meeting at 9.32am.

Item Number: 13.2 **File Number:** D26/26595

SUBJECT HEADING: SUPPORT FOR QUEENSLAND FRINGE TRAIL

Officer's Title: Coordinator – Tourism

Executive Summary:

Queensland Fringe Trail are requesting in-kind use of the Roma Cultural Centre on Tuesday 4 August 2026, and a financial contribution of \$15,000 for their event in Roma as part of their inaugural trail.

The planned Roma event includes a 'hub' at the Roma Cultural Centre, with free entertainment outdoors, a variety show in the Ernest Brock Room, and a performance by an internationally recognised act in the auditorium.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/24	
Moved Cr Vincent	Seconded Cr Brumpton
That Council:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide in-principle support for the Queensland Fringe Trail Roma event, with \$15,000 being included in the 2026/27 budget - cost centre GL 02883.2001.2001 Regional Events. 2. Approve the in-kind use of all areas of the Roma Cultural Centre on 4 August, including AV equipment, by the Queensland Fringe Trail. 	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator – Tourism
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Declaration of Interest

Item	13.3
Description	Tender 26035 – Big Rig Café Management Agreement
Declaring Councillor	Meryl Brumpton
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	My Niece Alexia Thompson.
Particulars of Interest	My Niece is mentioned in the report.
Type of conflict	Declarable conflict of interest
Action	Leave the room while the matter is discussed and voted on.

Cr Brumpton left the meeting at 9.38am.

Item Number: 13.3 **File Number:** D26/27847

SUBJECT HEADING: TENDER 26035 - BIG RIG CAFE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Location: Roma

Officer's Title: Property & Tenure Officer

Executive Summary:

Council publicly advertised Tender 26035, inviting suitably skilled, qualified and experienced businesses (or individuals) to submit documentation and propose an annual rental payment, to manage and operate the Big Rig Café, located on Riggers Road, Roma, also known as Part of Lot 1 on CP905212. The evaluation was presented for consideration.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/25

Moved Cr Davis

Seconded Cr Hancock

That Council:

1. **Accept Thiago Ferreira (Happy Batata Café) as the preferred Tenderer for Tender 26035 – Management and Operation of the Big Rig Café, located at 2 Riggers Road, Roma Qld 4455 for the tendered lease price of \$7,200 Including GST (per annum) for an initial term of 2 years with 2 x 2 year options with annual CPI increases.**
2. **Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate), to enter into final negotiations and sign necessary documentation.**

CARRIED

7/0

Responsible Officer

Property & Tenure Officer

Section 150F A (2)(e) of the *Local Government Act 2009*

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Name of each eligible councillor who voted on the matter:

Cr. John Birkett, Cr. Amber Davis, Cr. Peter Flynn, Cr Johanne Hancock, Cr. Cameron O’Neil, Cr Brendan Seawright, Cr. Jane Vincent.

How each eligible councillors voted:

Each councillor voted in favour of the motion.

At cessation of discussion and decision on the abovementioned report, Cr Brumpton returned to the meeting at 9.42am.

LATE ITEMS

Item Number: L.1 **File Number:** D26/30174

SUBJECT HEADING: UPDATED CONSIDERATION OF ELECTED MEMBER ATTENDANCE - 2026 LGAQ CIVIC LEADERS SUMMIT

Officer's Title: Coordinator - Executive & Elected Member Support Services

Executive Summary:

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. OM/03.2026/26	
Moved Cr Davis	Seconded Cr Brumpton
That Council endorse the attendance of Cr Hancock at the LGAQ Civic Leaders Summit on 25 – 26 March in Brisbane.	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Executive & Elected Member Support Services
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Item Number: L.2 **File Number:** D26/25269

SUBJECT HEADING: MONTHLY REPORT | MEETING ACTIONS UPDATE - FEBRUARY 2026 & OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Officer's Title: Coordinator – Executive & Elected Member Support Services

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on the status of Council meeting actions for the month of February 2026, and an update on outstanding actions in progress from the beginning of this term of Council.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/27	
Moved Cr Hancock	Seconded Cr Flynn
That Council receive and note the Officer's report as presented.	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Coordinator - Executive & Elected Member Support Services
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Item Number: L.3 **File Number:** D26/26708

SUBJECT HEADING: BOORINGA SHIRE HALL AMBY - MURAL PROJECT

Officer's Title: Manager - Facility & Property Services

Executive Summary:

The Queensland Country Women's Association Amby Branch requested approval to proceed with the proposed mural project on the exterior of the Booringa Shire Hall, Amby.

Council provided in principle support for the project; the mural design was presented for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/28

Moved Cr Brumpton

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council:

1. Approve the project for the mural design for the Booringa Shire Hall, Amby and precinct buildings, subject to:
 - a) The CEO approving the final design.
 - b) Confirmation that Council's requirements (as per resolution OM/03.2026/10) have been met and RSL approval has been given.
2. Approve the allocation of \$16,850 (Ex GST) for the preparation and painting from Work Order 25951.

[Wording refined a number of times following progressive discussions.]

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer	Manager - Facility & Property Services
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Item Number:

L.4

File Number: D26/29871

SUBJECT HEADING:

MASTER BUILDERS AWARDS - THE WHEAT SHED, WALLUMBILLA

Officer's Title:

Senior Project Officer - Capital Program Delivery

Executive Summary:

SM & KA Duff Builders requested permission to submit The Wheat Shed, Wallumbilla as an entry into the 2026 Master Builders Awards.

Principal contractor SM & KA Duff Builders will be submitting the entry provided Council's endorsement is received.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/29

Moved Cr Hancock

Seconded Cr Birkett

That Council:

1. Endorse the submission by SM & KA Duff Builders for the entry of The Wheat Shed, Wallumbilla as an entry to the 2026 Master Builders Awards.
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to sign the Owner's documentation required for the submission.

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer	Senior Project Officer - Capital Program Delivery
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Declaration of Interest

Item	L.5
Description	Brigalow Discovery Centre Contribution to Concept Development
Declaring Councillor	Cameron O'Neil
Person with the interest Related party / close associate / other relationship	Deb Joppich
Particulars of Interest	Deb Joppich is General Manager of Roma Commerce & Tourism (RCAT) and is a personal friend. RCAT is mentioned in the report and are an organisation represented on the steering committee of this project.
Type of conflict	Declarable conflict of interest
Action	Although I have a declarable conflict of interest, I do not believe a reasonable person could have a perception of bias. Therefore, I will choose to remain in the meeting. However, I will respect the decision of the meeting on whether I can remain and participate in the decision.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/30	
Moved Cr Davis	Seconded Cr Brumpton
That it is in the public interest that Councillor O'Neil participates and votes on agenda item L.5 because a reasonable person would trust that the decision is made in the public interest.	
CARRIED	7/0

Item Number: L.5 **File Number:** D26/29659

SUBJECT HEADING: BRIGALOW DISCOVERY CENTRE | CONTRIBUTION TO CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT

Officer's Title: Deputy CEO - Strategic Roads, Airports & Major Projects

Executive Summary:

The Brigalow Discovery Centre is a proposed regional initiative focused on environmental education, agriculture, and tourism, aimed at showcasing the unique ecological and cultural values of the Brigalow Belt.

Council has previously provided in-principle support for the project and participated in its ongoing development through a Steering Committee. Since that time, further discussions with stakeholders, including representatives of the Queensland Government, have indicated interest in the project, particularly in relation to potential future partnerships at the construction and delivery stage.

While the concept has been positively received, the project remains at an early stage of development, with limited supporting material available to clearly define its scope, scale, and cost. This has constrained the ability to effectively engage stakeholders, build community support, and pursue external funding opportunities.

The concept design phase represents the next critical step in progressing the project, providing concept drawings, architectural perspectives, and a high-level cost estimate to support future decision-making. This stage is estimated to cost approximately \$50,000, and a contribution from Council towards this stage has been requested, with additional funding secured and discussions ongoing with industry partners to secure the remaining balance.

This report provided an update on the project, outlined the proposed funding request and next stages, and was presented for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/31	
Moved Cr Vincent	Seconded Cr Brumpton
That Council:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receive the report as an update on the progress of the Brigalow Discovery Centre project. 2. Approve an allocation of up to \$30,000 from savings within the 2025/26 Capital Works Program towards the concept design stage of the project, contributing to a total estimated project cost of \$50,000. 3. Note that discussions are ongoing, and that Council will continue to provide advocacy with industry partners to secure the remaining funding required to complete this stage. 	
<i>[Cr O'Neil proposed an amendment to the budget allocation specified in point 2, which was accepted by the 'mover' and 'seconded']</i>	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Deputy CEO - Strategic Roads, Airports & Major Projects
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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/32		
Moved Cr Brumpton		Seconded Cr Davis
<p>In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>, that Council resolve to close the meeting to the public at [10.12am] to discuss confidential items that its Councillors consider is necessary to close the meeting.</p> <p>In accordance with Section 254J(5) of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>, the following table provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The matters to be discussed; • An overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed. 		
Agenda Item	Matters to be discussed (Reasons to close the meeting under the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>)	Overview
C.1 – Disposal of Council Land – Stage 1A Police Paddock Development	Section 254J(3)(g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests	<p>Council has progressed Stage 1A of the Police Paddock residential development to a point where a decision is required on the disposal of five (5) newly created lifestyle residential lots fronting Richardson Lane, Roma</p> <p>The Stage 1A subdivision forms part of Council's broader Police Paddock</p>

	of the local government.	<p>development, which is being delivered with the support of approximately \$10 million in funding under the Queensland Government’s Residential Activation Fund.</p> <p>Subdivision works for Stage 1A are substantially complete, with remaining services scheduled to be finalised in early 2026. Under the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>, Council is required to determine the method by which a valuable non-current asset is to be disposed of.</p> <p>This report outlines the legislative framework, valuation advice received and disposal options available to Council. Council is asked to determine the preferred disposal method for the Stage 1A lots and, if required, setting a reserve price to enable the works to continue and the land released to the market.</p>
LC.1 – Tender Award 26037: Womblebank Gap Road Safety Upgrade (Dingo Barrier Grid)	Section 254J(3)(c)(g) the local government’s budget: AND Section 254J(3)(g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.	<p>Maranoa Regional Council invited suitably qualified and experienced contractors to submit lump sum tenders for the construction of the Womblebank Gap Road Safety Works (CH 6300–6800m), jointly funded by the Queensland Government under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) and Council.</p> <p>Tender 26037 was released via VendorPanel on 6 February 2026 and closed on 2 March 2026, with three (3) conforming tenders received.</p> <p>This report outlines the tender evaluation process undertaken in accordance with Council’s procurement requirements and presents a recommendation for award.</p>
LC.2 – Tender Award 26032: 2025/26 Bitumen Reseal Program	Section 254J(3)(c)(g) the local government’s budget: AND Section 254J(3)(g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.	<p>Council invited suitably qualified and experienced contractors to submit schedule of rates pricing for bitumen resealing of Council’s urban street and rural road sealed road network. This work – termed the Annual Bitumen Reseal Program – is a key aspect of Council’s sealed roads asset renewal strategy.</p> <p>Tender 26032 opened on 11 February 2026 and closed on 03 March 2026. A total of five (5) businesses submitted tenders, and all submissions were deemed to be conforming tenders. This report summaries the evaluation process and recommended tenderer for Tender 26032.</p>

		<p>Bitumen sealing works are very sensitive to world oil price changes because the primary material input (bitumen) is a by-product of the oil refining process. This report provides analysis of various options available to Council, in terms of how much of the annual bitumen reseal program is awarded for delivery at this time.</p>
CARRIED		8/0

COUNCIL ADJOURNED THE MEETING
 FOR MORNING TEA AT 10.29am

SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
 COUNCIL RESUMED THE MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION AT 11.00am

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/33		
Moved Cr Brumpton	Seconded Cr Flynn	
That Council open the meeting to the public [at 11.01am].		
CARRIED		8/0

Item Number: C.1 **File Number:** D26/4833

SUBJECT HEADING: DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL LAND - STAGE 1A POLICE PADDOCK DEVELOPMENT

Officer's Title: Deputy CEO - Strategic Roads, Airports & Major Projects

Executive Summary:

Council has progressed Stage 1A of the Police Paddock residential development to a point where a decision is required on the disposal of five (5) newly created lifestyle residential lots fronting Richardson Lane, Roma

The Stage 1A subdivision forms part of Council's broader Police Paddock development, which is being delivered with the support of approximately \$10 million in funding under the Queensland Government's Residential Activation Fund.

Subdivision works for Stage 1A are substantially complete, with remaining services scheduled to be finalised in early 2026. Under the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council is required to determine the method by which a valuable non-current asset is to be disposed of.

This report outlined the legislative framework, valuation advice received and disposal options available to Council. Council is asked to determine the preferred disposal method for the Stage 1A lots and, if required, setting a reserve price to enable the works to continue and the land released to the market.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/34	
Moved Cr Flynn	Seconded Cr Davis
That Council:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receive and note the report as an update on the Police Paddock Development, and more specifically Stage 1A, being the five (5) lifestyle residential lots fronting Richardson Lane. 2. Approve the disposal of the five (5) Stage 1A Police Paddock lifestyle residential lots as per Option 2 – Disposal by Tender, in accordance with section 227 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>. 	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Deputy CEO - Strategic Roads, Airports & Major Projects
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LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Item Number:	LC.1	File Number: D26/25908
SUBJECT HEADING:	TENDER AWARD 26037: WOMBLEBANK GAP ROAD SAFETY UPGRADE (DINGO BARRIER GRID)	
Officer's Title:	Deputy CEO - Strategic Roads, Airports & Major Projects	

Executive Summary:
 Maranoa Regional Council invited suitably qualified and experienced contractors to submit lump sum tenders for the construction of the Womblebank Gap Road Safety Works (CH 6300–6800m), jointly funded by the Queensland Government under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) and Council.

Tender 26037 was released via VendorPanel on 6 February 2026 and closed on 2 March 2026, with three (3) conforming tenders received.

This report outlined the tender evaluation process undertaken in accordance with Council's procurement requirements and presents a recommendation for award.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/35	
Moved Cr Brumpton	Seconded Cr Vincent
That Council:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Appoints Cooper McCullough Group Pty Ltd (ABN 62 644 700 989) as the preferred tenderer for Tender Award 26037: Womblebank Gap Road Safety Upgrade for \$746,961.21 excl GST. 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) to execute the contract documents and notify all tenderers of the outcome. 	
CARRIED	8/0

Responsible Officer	Deputy CEO - Strategic Roads, Airports & Major Projects
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Item Number: LC.2 **File Number:** D26/17191
SUBJECT HEADING: TENDER AWARD 26032: 2025/26 BITUMEN RESEAL PROGRAM
Officer's Title: Manager – Roads Strategy

Executive Summary:

Council invited suitably qualified and experienced contractors to submit schedule of rates pricing for bitumen resealing of Council's urban street and rural road sealed road network. This work – termed the Annual Bitumen Reseal Program – is a key aspect of Council's sealed roads asset renewal strategy.

Tender 26032 opened on 11 February 2026 and closed on 03 March 2026. A total of five (5) businesses submitted tenders, and all submissions were deemed to be conforming tenders. This report summaries the evaluation process and recommended tenderer for Tender 26032.

Bitumen sealing works are very sensitive to world oil price changes because the primary material input (bitumen) is a by-product of the oil refining process. This report provided analysis of various options available to Council, in terms of how much of the annual bitumen reseal program is awarded for delivery at this time.

Resolution No. OM/03.2026/36

Moved Cr Davis

Seconded Cr Brumpton

That Council:

1. **Appoints Austek Spray Seal Pty Ltd as the preferred tenderer for Tender 26032 2025-2026 Bitumen Reseal Program, for a contract sum of \$829,868.94 (Excluding GST).**
2. **Authorises the Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) within the approved budget to negotiate and, if acceptable terms are reached, execute the contract documents and notify all tenderers of the outcome.**
3. **Notes the intention to deliver only critical resealing works before 30 June 2026, in response to current market volatility, while deferring the remaining budget and scope for potential delivery in Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 of the 2026/2027 financial year**
4. **Approves the carrying-over of any remaining funds from Work Order 25982 Rural Road Reseal Program 2025/2026 and Work Order 25991 Urban Road Reseal Program 2025/2026 into financial year 2026/2027, to allow all deferred project scope to be delivered in 2026/2027.**

CARRIED

8/0

Responsible Officer

Manager – Roads Strategy

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chair thanked Council for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 11.14am.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held on 9 April 2026, at Roma Administration Centre.