



BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL

Business Paper

22 August 2019

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COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Council Chambers, Nyngan on Thursday 22 August 2019 at 9.30am.

Mr & Mrs Collin and Yvonne Pardy will join Councillors and Staff for lunch in recognition of Collin's forty five years' service to the NSW Fire and Rescue, formerly NSW Fire Brigade.

AGENDA

1. Opening Prayer
2. Remembrances
3. Apologies
4. Declarations of Interest
5. Confirmation of the Closed and Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 July 2019
6. Confirmation of the Ordinary Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 25 July 2019
7. Committee Meeting Minutes
8. General Manager's Report incorporating reports from:-
 - People and Community Services
 - Finance and Corporate Services
 - Engineering Services
 - Development and Environmental Services
9. Correspondence

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Cathy Ellison
Executive Assistant





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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1 NYNGAN MUSEUM MEETING

Attached are the Minutes of the Nyngan Museum Committee Meeting held on 7 August 2019 at the Nyngan Museum.

1.1 Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Nyngan Museum Committee Meeting held on 7 August 2019 at the Nyngan Museum be received and noted.

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Nyngan Museum Meeting Date: 7th August 2019

Present:

Glad Eldridge, Leonie Montgomery, Anna Corby, Anne Quarmby, Val Keighran, Bay Lovett, Ray Donald, Veneta

Apologies:

Collin Pardy, Yvonne Pardy, Margaret Sibbald, Abigail

Minutes last meeting: Move: Leonie second: Anne Quarmby

Business arising from previous minutes:

- *No date for key handover. Leonie was speaking with Patricia Orchard yesterday and thought it was happening that day, but apparently didn't.*
- *The sulky group will be arriving in town Friday 9th and leaving Sunday 11th. They are staying at the showground. Ray is involved in the organization to take them to see the sulky which will be in the supper room at the town hall. Follow up on permanent display for sulky seems the museum shed will be the best.*
- *Council are coordinating the 30 years since the flood activities. Ideas so far include
 - *Morning tea or BBQ for people who come to share eg volunteers etc. Leonie suggested Museum grounds.*
 - *Helicopter if Peter Sinclair can arrange.*
 - *Low-key vent at the river*
 - *Information fact sheets (constructive facts). School talks.**
- *2016 grant has been acquitted. We can now apply for more.*

Treasurers Report attached: read and moved: Leonie 2nd: Margaret Snodgrass

Income: \$388.25 Expenditure: \$560.00 Balance: \$ 5,579.37

Correspondence In:

Nil

Correspondence Out:

Nil

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Co Ordinator's Report:

- *Donations*
 - *STAMM family history booklet, 1905 Nyngan Convent school medallion, Pastoral & Agricultural Society prize certificates 1900 – 1911.*
 - *Doll parts including tiny heads, bodies, arms and legs from Hugh Sibbald*
 - *Sewing Machine(treadle) and cabinet and commode chair from Vince Wren*
- *Projects*
 - *Derailment book. Australian Railway Historical Society have been able to identify some of the photos. Have just found the box with more photos that I will ask for assistance with.*
 - *Motion: send a donation of \$100 to ARHS to thank them for their time. 2nd: Val Keighran. All in favour.*
 - *Cork photo mounts for display shown.*
 - *Black 50L tubs have been purchased to store the newspapers once they have been sorted. Thanks to Yvonne and Anne for their work in this area.*
 - *Anne asked if anyone is keeping copies of current newspapers. Will enquire if the town Library has a collection. Does the paper keep copies?*
 - *Vince Wren has some railway artefacts including a signal and points and a couple of large barrows. He requests can he use the green shed as a workshop to restore these. They will then be displayed in the shed. The Shire have been asked to help Vince move the items and they have agreed. Leonie and Ray will continue negotiations with the Shire on this matter.*

Maintenance Report:

- *Greg Corby has glued the Remembrance Fountain. The switch is now the powerpoint under the desk.*

General business

- *Margaret Snodgrass raised the possibility of refurbishing the windows by sanding back the many layers of paint to restore to original and replacing the Perspex with glass.*

Leonie suggest we write a management plan for the sympathetic restoration of many original features of the railway building. Once done, to be negotiated with John Holland and the Shire. This will then become an ongoing process most likely done by volunteers with professional assistance/advice.

- *The committee wish to than Anna and Leonie for their ongoing research, planning and development toward the new displays.*

Next Meeting Agenda

Meeting Closed: 10.25 am



**General Manager's Report to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council
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REPORT TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mayor and Councillors

The following report is submitted for consideration:-

1 CHECKLIST

Item No.	Date	Minute No	Matter	Action Required	Officer	Status
1	27/10/2016	423/2016	Seniors Living – Rental Units	Director Development and Environmental Services working closely with external Project Manager to ensure compliance with Stronger Communities grant milestones	DDES	<u>UPDATE:</u> Tender Evaluation Committee (TEC) established. Tenders opened 13 August 2019. Report to Council meeting September 2019.
2	28/09/2017	283/2017	Medical Centre	The General Manager in consultation with PHN proceeds to recruit & engage a second doctor for the BSMC.	GM	Recruitment agencies engaged to source locum / permanent second doctor. Second Locums secured until 31/12/2019.



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3	21/12/2017	392/2017	Increase of train speed through Nyngan	Strong letter of concern & a request to address Council be sent to the relevant rail authorities & a copy to local member.	GM	Letter sent to Minister for Transport & Infrastructure, with copy to Kevin Humphries.
	21/06/2018	293/2018		Council seek further follow up from the responsible Minister, reiterating Council's safety concerns for pedestrians & road users due to the nature of the crossing & variation of speeds & that the best control measures would be to erect flashing lights at the Hoskins Street Crossing.	GM	406 Petitions received. <u>UPDATE:</u> On-site meeting held with Deputy Premier.



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4	25/10/2018	340/2018	Palais Theatre	Following selection of options & places, detailed costings be obtained to facilitate a grant application for a new structure.	GM	<p>Council resolved to demolish the Palais Theatre with the costs to be provided from accumulated funds at Council Meeting 28 March 2019.</p> <p><u>UPDATE:</u> Quotations for demolition now being evaluated.</p>
5	28/02/2019	021/2019	Drought Works	<p>The General Manager continues to pursue grant funding opportunities to meet the cost to improve water security for Girilambone & Hermidale.</p> <hr/> <p>Council strongly points out to the relevant authorities that paying for water tanks will save the NSW Government money in the medium to long term rather than paying for the carting of water to fill the overhead tanks.</p>	DES	<p>Application submitted, awaiting response. Funding for water carting to the villages has been approved. No additional funding currently available from NSW Government.</p> <hr/> <p>NSW Government advice at this stage is that individual tanks do not meet the drought funding criteria.</p>

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6	24/04/2019	117/2019	Cobar Water Board	<p>1. The General Manager requests further information from CWB concerning the apparent change in licence holdings, a copy of the legal advice concerning supply of water and reason why Cobar Shire Council cannot supply minor users within the Bogan Shire LGA.</p> <hr/> <p>2. Notes all current minor user agreements are between CWB and relevant users and that there may potentially be logistical and legal implications to BSC being responsible for supply of water via CWB's infrastructure.</p>	GM	<p>Advice from CWB is that they disposed of their licence in 2010.</p> <hr/> <p>Council staff to investigate implications.</p> <p><u>UPDATE:</u> Council's Solicitors engaged to assist with new agreement.</p>
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				3. Whilst Council is prepared to have discussion with CWB to explore options for delivery of water to minor users within the Bogan Shire LGA, it does not agree to the Board's proposal at this stage.		Point 2 above refers.
7	23/05/2019	164/2019	Nyngan/Cobar Water Security	Council notes with concern that CWB appears to have used more than their allocation of water this year & that the General Manager raises this concern with the Secretary of CWB.	GM	Meeting held on 18 June 2019 with Secretary of CWB and staff. <u>UPDATE:</u> Further correspondence currently being drafted.
8	23/05/2019	170/2019	NSW Government – Office of State Revenue – Emergency Services Levy	The General Manager advises the Minister of Council's concern regarding the large increase at such short notice & that Council does not have the available budget funds to cover the increase.	GM	<u>UPDATE:</u> Precis refers. COMPLETED



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9	27/06/2019	201/2019	Drought Communities Program	The General Manager makes application the Federal government to: 1. Transfer any unused funds of the projects. 2. Seeks an extension of time to complete any remaining projects up to at least 26 July 2019.	GM	Letter sent to Department of Industry, Innovation and Science on 10 July 2019, seeking extension to complete projects and transfer of unused funds. UPDATE: Response granting extension received 5 August 2019. No decision on transfer of funds received yet.
10	27/06/2019	222/2019	Nyngan Regional Cultural Centre	Council engage Ian Bassett & Partners to prepare a detailed cost estimates for the construction of the Nyngan Regional Cultural Centre for purposes of a grant submission.	GM	UPDATE: Design requirement being confirmed.



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11	27/06/2019	179/2019	Purchase of Land – Pangee Street	General Manager approach the owner of the identified property with a view to ascertaining whether they are interested in selling the property & on what terms.	GM	<u>UPDATE:</u> Verbal report to be given at Council Meeting 22 August 2019.
12	27/06/2019	187/2019	Proposed Solar Farm Lease Agreement	Council agree in principle to the proposed Solar Farm Lease subject to further investigations and negotiations with the company.	GM	<u>UPDATE:</u> Agreement reached. COMPLETED
13	25/07/2019	232/2019	Stronger Country Communities Fund – Round 3	1. Council consult with the community on the suggestion that Council applies to Round 3 for a Community Centre at the disused Tennis Courts & for the employment of a Youth Worker for 3 yrs.	DPCS	<u>UPDATE:</u> Report refers – August 2019.



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				2. A consultation workshop be held in the week of 5 to 9 August 2019 to discuss eligible projects with invited community groups, schools & other stakeholders.		<u>UPDATE:</u> Workshops held. COMPLETED
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1.1 Recommendation

That the report relating to the Monthly Checklist be received and those items marked as "Completed" be removed from the checklist.

**Derek Francis
General Manager**



People and Community Services' Report to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council
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REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – DIRECTOR PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Mayor and Councillors

The following report is submitted for consideration:-

1 LIBRARY REPORT

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information both statistical and informative in regards to the Library's function.

1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information both statistical and informative in regards to the Library's function.

1.2 Background

A quarterly operational Library Report is provided for the information of Councillors.

1.3 Discussion

A Rock Art session, with 32 children participating and a Lego Activity afternoon with 17 children participating were held in May. Wendy Beetson from Ability Links with assistance from Lyn Quinton and Lyn Hodge, helped run these sessions and the children's works were entered into the Nyngan Show.

National Simultaneous Story time was held on Wednesday 22 May. This year's book was "Alpacas with Maracas" by Matt Cosgrove. A group of 73 children from Nyngan Preschool, Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre, Nyngan Public School and St. Joseph's School attended with parents and other children from the community. The event was held in the Town Hall Supper room with a presentation via a YouTube reading by the author Matt Cosgrove, Jimmy Reece the television presenter of Giggle and Hoot, and two guest Llamas as well as other stories and a craft activity.

During the last school holidays the Library held a Coding Session "Pop-up Creators" run by Orana Arts.



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The official launch for the 2017/18 Public Library Infrastructure Grant program was combined with the Cancer Council "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" and celebrated at the Library on Thursday 25 July. Doctor John Vallance, NSW State Librarian and Chief Executive attended with Cameron Morley, Manager, Public Library Services.

The Library hosts Story Time sessions on Wednesdays for the community, Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre and Nyngan Preschool. There are a gathering of around 15 children along with their mothers and carers with more adding to the group each week. The children participate in an activity relating to the book that is read on that day. Thank you to the ELC and Nyngan Preschool for their ongoing support with Story Time.

The very bright and colourful electronic Library sign is now up and running and advertising all library activities and other relevant information.

The 2019 Book Link Reading program was held throughout July. This program has been running for the past 12 years and was initiated by the Nyngan CWA in conjunction with the Library to encourage children to read.

The Library Meeting/Computer room is being used more frequently for meetings, tutors and students and external study students accessing Wi-Fi and quiet study areas. Parents increasingly bring their children to spend time at the Library playing with Library toys, reading books and playing with the eFun Table computer in the children's area which was purchased through our 2017/18 State Library Grant. Primary school children are using computers every afternoon and on Saturday mornings.

Statistics

Statistics for the past quarter dating from 1.04.19 to 30.06.19 are as follows with a comparison of the previous year figures for the same period:



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April 1st – June 30th, 2019		April 1st – June 30th, 2018	
Adult Fiction	599	Adult Fiction	597
Western Fiction	52	Western Fiction	11
Large Print	251	Large Print	146
Magazines	148	Magazines	122
Adult Non Fiction	7	Adult Non Fiction	55
Talking Books	50	Talking Books	106
Stories are magic items	21	Stories are magic items	61
Junior Fiction	190	Junior Fiction	230
Junior Non Fiction	3	Junior Non Fiction	21
Easy & Easy2 & RR	422	Easy & Easy2 & RR	369
Toys	8	Toys	9
Junior Talking Books	0	Junior Talking Books	0
Young Adult Fiction	13	Young Adult Fiction	9
Equipment	2	Equipment	2
DVD's	209	DVD's	442
TOTAL ISSUES	2025	TOTAL ISSUES	2294
TOTAL MEMBERS	2449	TOTAL MEMBERS	2379
New Members	23	New Members	22
Internet Usage ½ hour sessions	1078	Internet Usage ½ hour sessions	1634
IT Help	67	IT Help	111
Wi-Fi tickets (2 hours)	88	Wi-Fi tickets (2 hours)	170
People counter	3216	People counter	2841
Reference Inquiries	33	Reference Inquiries	62

As this report demonstrates, the Bogan Shire Library provides many services to our community and the community is keen to use the Library for their various needs.

1.4 Recommendation

That the Library Report for the period 1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019 be received and noted.



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2 STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND – ROUND 3

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to summarise community feedback to Council in relation to a potential grant application to the Stronger Country Communities Fund and to provide recommendations for this application.

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to summarise community feedback to Council in relation to a potential grant application to the Stronger Country Communities Fund and to provide recommendations for this application.

2.2 Background

Council has been notified that it is eligible to receive up to \$764,812 in the third round of the Stronger Country Communities Fund with half of the funding allocation to be set aside for youth projects.

Previous community feedback, including Community Strategic Planning sessions, has indicated support for a Community / Youth Centre. Council resolved at its meeting held on 25 July 2019 to undertake specific community consultation to help inform its grant application decision as follows:-

- a. A community workshop to discuss eligible projects with invited community groups, schools and other stakeholders.
- b. Community surveys with targeted questions relating to Council's nominated projects.

2.3 Discussion

The following consultation workshops have been carried out:-

- Nyngan High School - 7 August 2019
- Community Stakeholder Workshop - 7 August 2019
- St Joseph's Primary School - 8 August 2019
- Nyngan Public School - 8 August 2019

An online survey was sent to all schools in the Bogan Shire for distribution to parents.

2.3.1 Summary of Community Consultation Feedback

Buildings currently available, current use and limitations.

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

At the start of the workshop, participants were asked to spend some time thinking about all the available spaces within the community, activities they house and limitations of these spaces as a way of setting the scene for thinking about the need for a new Centre and the activities it could accommodate.

A full range of existing buildings and spaces was discussed including halls and privately owned buildings and an array of current activities was listed. Limitations on these existing buildings and spaces included accessibility / availability (e.g. school halls are not available for public use during school time), size (not big enough – or too big) and location.

Workshop *Question 6* allowed feedback relating to all limitations to running new or additional community activities and programs and around 40% of these referred to space or public availability.

Questions 1, 2, 3 and 6 of Attachment 4 list workshop feedback relevant to this issue in full.

Need for a Community Centre.

- Primary Schools

All children felt that a Centre was needed.

- High School

23 out of 26 children felt that a Centre was needed.

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

At the end of the Workshop the group as a whole was asked whether there was a need for a Community Centre. The response to this was “Yes”, with no dissenting views expressed.

- Parent's Online Survey

96.6% (87 people) responded “Yes” to the need for a space to run youth activities.

Activities or programs that could be run from a Community Centre.

- Primary Schools

A wide variety of responses were received, based on an activity which included a writing or drawing activity. The majority of the most popular responses can be grouped into the following:-

- Audio Visual – televisions and movies.
- Cultural activities – dancing and music.
- Games – pool tables and air hockey.
- Homework Space – alternatively a quiet space for “chilling” or reading.
- Indoor sport – basketball, netball, boxing, volleyball, gymnastics.
- Kitchen – for children to make a drink or snack. Alternatively, vending machines.
- Physical activities - trampolines, rock climbing wall, laser tag.
- Social Space – interacting with friends over board games or just talking.
- Video gaming – computers or consoles.

Children were encouraged to use their imaginations which elicited some responses suggesting activities that are not necessarily feasible for a rural Youth Centre, however all feedback is listed in Attachments 1 and 2.

- High School

Group discussions resulted in several suggestions, the most popular, in order of popularity, being:

- Social Space / Informal Meeting Space – beanbags, lounges. A “chill-zone”.
- Indoor sport – basketball, netball, cricket, soccer, gymnastics.
- Organised social events – discos, movie nights.
- Cultural Space – music practice and creative arts.
- Games – pool tables, air hockey, table tennis.
- Homework Space – study area.
- Kitchen – for children to make a drink or snack. Alternatively, vending machines.
- Meeting spaces – mental health services, workshops, yoga, meditation.
- Outdoor Area – social space with fire pit and bbq.

All suggestions, including these, are listed in Attachment 3.

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

Participants were asked two questions about possible activities, one aimed at Youth specifically, and the other aimed at more general, community activities. Again, a wide variety of interesting suggestions were made within the following themes:-

- Indoor sport – including bowls.
- Social Space – youth groups / hang out space.
- Organised social events – discos, sport and recreation events, fun nights.
- Meeting spaces – a wide range of uses and activities including adult education, art classes, playgroups, guest speakers, health prevention / promotion / education workshops, youth workshops and outreach services.
- Kitchen – healthy cooking programs / cooking classes.

All suggestions, including these, are listed in Attachment 3.

- Parent's Online Survey

The majority of responses favoured organised social activities (90%), followed closely by Indoor Sport (82%), organised education / training (81%) and informal social space (77%). 22 specific comments or suggestions were made which are listed against *Question 2* in Attachment 5 and generally mirror comments gained in other feedback.

Location for a Community Centre.

- Primary Schools

Children were asked which of the following sites they would choose and why:

- Part of old tennis court site (31 votes)
- An extension of pool grounds (0 votes)
- Showgrounds (0 votes)
- Main street (0 votes)

Reasons given were that the tennis courts were close to walk to after school for walking there, close to the Skate Park, Pool and Oval.

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Children were also asked to suggest any other sites, with the following responses:

- Old pre-school site (11 votes)
- Old Shire Depot (Understood to be old Caltex Depot on Pangee Street) (11 votes)
- Palais Theatre site (8 votes).

- High School

Children were asked which of the following sites they would choose and why:-

- Part of old tennis court site (18 votes)
- An extension of pool grounds (5 votes)
- Showgrounds (0 votes)
- Main street (0 votes)

Reasons given were that the tennis courts were close to all schools, O'Reilly Park, Pool and Oval. Showgrounds were considered too far and isolated and Pangee Street too dangerous.

Children were also asked to suggest any other sites, with the following responses:-

- Old Shire Depot (Understood to be old Caltex Depot on Pangee Street) (1 vote)

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

Participants were not asked specifically about preferred location. Questions focussed instead on identifying existing buildings and limitations.

- Parent's Online Survey

Participants were asked if the old tennis court site was the best location. 97% of respondents agreed. Nine specific comments or suggestions were made which are listed against *Question 3* in Attachment 5.

The times a Community Centre would need to be available for use.

- Primary Schools

Unanimous support was expressed for school holidays with after school Monday to Friday, 3pm to 7pm a close second with 40 votes. Saturday and Sunday afternoons were also popular (28 votes). Less support was expressed for Saturday and Sunday mornings (22 and 11 votes). Nyngan Public School children strongly supported use during the mid-term breaks.

- High School

Unanimous support for school holidays with after school Monday to Friday, 3pm to 8pm strongly supported too. Saturday afternoons and evenings were also popular. Sundays less so.

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

Participants were not asked about opening times.

- Parent's Online Survey

79% of respondents' favoured school holidays followed closely by after school Monday to Friday, 3pm to 7pm and Saturday afternoons – both with 55%. Least popular was Sunday mornings with 33%. 14 specific comments or suggestions were made which are listed against *Question 4* in Attachment 5.

The importance of having a Youth Worker.

- Primary Schools

Children were not asked about this.

- High School

Children were not asked about this.

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

Participants were not asked about this. Some comments were received which are included in *Questions 4, 5 and 6* of Attachment 4 expressing support for the need.

- Parent's Online Survey

Participants agreed, on average, that a Youth Worker was essential (9/10)

Alternatives to a Community Centre.

- Primary Schools

Children were asked and encouraged to use their imaginations to think about what it is that they would like if Council had money to do something else other than build a Centre. Responses included retail outlets and franchised activities beyond the scope of what could be provided by Bogan Shire Council. Nonetheless some good feedback was obtained which is all listed in Attachments 1 and 2 and generally includes themes around:-

- Upgrades to existing facilities such as pool, skate park and library
- Obstacle courses / physical activities
- Motorbikes

- High School

Children were asked to think about what it is that they would like if Council had money to do something else other than a Centre. The majority of children (10 votes) supported upgrades to the Pool including water slide, heating and repair of tiles. A number of children (4 votes) wanted upgraded play facilities / age-appropriate play facilities at O'Reilly Park.

Interestingly, when children were specifically asked to choose between any of these things and a Centre, only one of them prioritised upgrades to the Pool, the rest all chose the Centre.

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

Whilst there were no specific group questions addressing this aspect, participants were asked in the workshop wrap-up to include on the suggestion slips on their tables, any alternative suggestions on which to spend the grant money. Two suggestions were made and included upgrades to the Skate Park and lighting for the Junior League Oval.



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- Parent's Online Survey

The online survey made provision for "Other comments" with 47 respondents making use of this opportunity. Only one of the comments referred to a preference for upgrading the Skate Park or constructing a BMX track. Several comments supported the construction of a Centre. All comments are listed against *Question 6* in Attachment 5.

General Feedback.

- Primary Schools

Children were not asked for general feedback.

- High School

Children were not asked for general feedback.

- Community Stakeholder Workshop

Question 7 of Attachment 4 lists all comments gathered in the suggestion box from the slips left on participant's tables.

- Parent's Online Survey

Question 6 in Attachment 5 lists all general feedback.

2.3.2 Construction of a Community Centre

Community feedback obtained during the consultation process has indicated a strong level of support for a suitably-sized public facility to accommodate a range of activities and programs for all sections of our community, including the Youth.

An analysis of existing buildings during the community stakeholder workshop identified that existing buildings are generally not suitable for use as a Community Centre. Reasons for this include that they are the wrong size, are unavailable for general public use at appropriate times (if at all), are not conveniently located and are not in a good state of repair.

To address this situation, two options are available for Council to consider. One option would include converting or upgrading an existing building and the other would be to construct a new building. These options are expanded on below:-

Option 1 – Existing spaces

- The Town Hall is earmarked for demolition when funding becomes available for a new facility, plans for which have been approved by Council. As such, it would not make economic sense to invest funds into the building at this stage.
- The Palais Theatre is unsafe for public use and would require more funding than is available to repair, let alone upgrade the building. In addition, demolition of this building has commenced.
- A suggestion has also been made to use the funds to upgrade the Wye Pavilion to accommodate a Community Centre. This makes sound economic sense because it uses an existing structure however it is one of the least favoured sites by school children and parents due to its relatively remote location. Whilst the Pavilion structure lends itself to use as an open recreation area for indoor sport or activities, its use during Showground events limits the potential to build rooms into one end of the structure for meeting and social spaces which are what the community would like based on feedback.

Option 2 – New building

- Limited funds will dictate the size and nature of construction. The most cost effective form of construction is likely to be a pre-fabricated (off the shelf) industrial shed from one of the major shed companies.
- This concept does have the advantage of being easy to add bays onto the structure in the future to enlarge the Centre. It is envisaged that rooms to accommodate meeting and social spaces could be built into one side or end of the structure in much the same way as the Engineering Department's offices have been built into the Shire Depot shed.
- It is estimated that the cost of a 20 x 24 metre structure would be less than \$200,000 for the basic building, erected on a concrete slab. Making use of Council staff to construct the building as was done with the Early Learning Centre, will make the grant funding go further as the cost of their wages can be sourced from Council's operating budget rather than from the grant funds, where provision has already been made for them, at no additional expense to ratepayers.
- The old tennis court site is by far the favoured site amongst community members engaged in the process. It is centrally located so that the whole community can access it and its close location to schools and other facilities used by children means that they can easily and safely move between the Library, Skate Park, Oval, Netball Courts, O'Reilly Park, or the Pool and the Centre. It also means that it can be used for events at Larkin Oval and there is ample parking, space for future expansion and a variety of outdoor activities that have been suggested during community feedback sessions including social fire pit area, gardens, putt-putt and BMX track. It may be possible to use the old sealed tennis courts for some of the activities mentioned in the feedback. There may also be opportunities to revitalise tennis in the process.



An example of the type of construction being considered

Community feedback suggests that a Community Centre would need the following:-

- Informal Social Space – to meet, talk to friends
- Kitchen – to make snacks and hold cooking classes
- Recreation Room – for gaming, table tennis, air hockey etc.
- Quiet Rooms – for workshops, training, meetings, study and reading
- Open Space – multipurpose, discos, boxing, indoor sport.

Attachment 6 shows a representation of some of the existing buildings available for public use with their relative sizes. Also included is a representation of the size and layout of a new Centre also showing its location on the old tennis court site.

Community / Youth Worker

Feedback, and common sense, strongly indicate that a dedicated Community / Youth Worker is necessary to supervise the operations of the Centre and to coordinate activities and programs for children. Funding for this person's salary can come out of Stronger Country Communities grant funds for up to three years but this would take funding away from building construction where it is needed.



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Ideally Council would partner with a community organisation or organisations who already deliver youth services to fund such a position. With this in mind, initial discussions are being had with three local organisations to explore options for presentation to Council. It is recommended that, should this project go ahead, provision be made for one year's salary from the grant funding as Council's contribution to funding of the position.

2.4 Attachments

1. Detailed workshop feedback – Nyngan Public School
2. Detailed workshop feedback – St Joseph's Primary School
3. Detailed workshop feedback – Nyngan High School
4. Detailed workshop feedback – Community stakeholders
5. Detailed feedback – Parents' online survey
6. Representation of existing buildings and proposed new Centre

2.5 Recommendation

That:

1. This report, summarising community feedback to Council in relation to a grant application to the Stronger Country Communities Fund be noted.
2. That Council makes a grant application to the Stronger Country Communities Fund for the construction of a Community Centre on the site of the old tennis courts incorporating a sum of money for a part-time Youth Worker for a period of one year.
3. Council works with community organisations who deliver youth and other community support services to investigate alternative methods of funding for ongoing employment of a part-time Youth Worker.

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Director People and Community Services

Attachment 1

Nyngan Public School

Workshop Feedback – 8 August 2019

1. Is there a need for a building to run youth activities for kids over 12 in Nyngan?

Yes – 25 votes

No – 0 votes

2. Activity – What would you do in a Youth Centre

a. Write a letter to a friend. Tell them all about the things you've been doing at the Youth Centre. Describe the building, the activities and what sorts of equipment or furniture is there.

OR

b. Draw a picture of what the Youth Centre looks like to you and name the things that are in it.

- Air hockey
- Basketball
- Beanbags and quiet space
- Big Screen TVs
- Board Games
- Boxing
- Bring your pet along day
- Café
- Computers
- Dancing
- Dodge ball
- Fishing area
- Garden / outdoor space
- Gymnastics
- Homework space
- Indoor pool
- Indoor volleyball
- Inflatable World
- Kitchen to make snacks
- Laser tag
- Lounges to chill / Chill out area
- Massages

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- Mini flipout
- Miniature golf
- Movies
- Nerf Guns
- Paintball
- Pool tables
- Popcorn, doughnuts, sushi
- Soda bar – refreshments
- Spa
- Space to read
- Squash Court
- Ten pin bowling
- Tennis Court
- Trampolines and foam pits
- Vending machines for snacks
- Video gaming area
- Wi-Fi

3. If we did have a Youth Centre, what times would you use it?

- a. 25 votes – Mid-term break
- b. 24 votes - School Holidays
- c. 20 votes - After school, Mondays to Fridays – 3pm to 7pm
- d. 15 votes - Sundays – Afternoons
- e. 13 votes - Saturdays – Afternoons
- f. 12 votes - Saturdays – Mornings
- g. 5 votes - Sundays – Mornings

4. Where would be the best place to have this building?

- a. 12 votes – Old tennis court site
- b. 11 votes – Old pre-school site
- c. 7 votes – Palais Theatre site

Reasons given – near skate park, pool and Oval. Close to school for walking there.
There is space.

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5. If we had money to build something else for Youth – and it wasn't a Youth Centre – what would it be?
- Dinosaur museum
 - Flying fox in park
 - Gymnasium
 - Hard surface netball court
 - Heated pool
 - Lagoon full of yellow belly and cod
 - Picture theatre / Cinema
 - Shops
 - Upgrade skate park
 - Upgrade the library – make it bigger and more computers
 - Water park
 - Waterslide at pool

Attachment 2

St Joseph's Primary School

Workshop Feedback – 8 August 2019

1. Is there a need for a building to run youth activities for kids over 12 in Nyngan?

Yes – 22 votes

No – 0 votes

2. Activity – What would you do in a Youth Centre

a. *Write a letter to a friend. Tell them all about the things you've been doing at the Youth Centre. Describe the building, the activities and what sorts of equipment or furniture is there.*

OR

b. *Draw a picture of what the Youth Centre looks like to you and name the things that are in it.*

- Archery
- Basketball
- Beanbags / comfy chairs / pillows and quiet space
- Big Screen TVs with Netflix
- Bubble soccer
- Café / Canteen
- Computers
- Dancing
- Disco once a month
- Fish Pond
- Flying fox
- Foam Pit
- Go-cart track
- Gym for kids
- Gymnastics
- Indoor heated pool
- Indoor skate park
- Indoor skydiving
- Indoor soccer
- Inflatable Jungle-Gym
- Kitchen to make snacks
- Laser tag

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- Lockers
- Lounges to chill / Chill out area
- Meeting / gathering space
- Mini flip out
- Miniature golf
- Movies
- Music Studio / Room
- Netball
- Obstacle Course – Ninja Warrior
- Quiet Corner
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Spa
- Space to play board games with mates
- Space to read books
- Trampolines
- Video gaming area

3. If we did have a Youth Centre, what times would you use it?

- a. 21 votes - School Holidays
- b. 20 votes - After school, Mondays to Fridays – 3pm to 7pm
- c. 15 votes - Saturdays – Afternoons
- d. 13 votes - Sundays – Afternoons
- e. 9 votes - Saturdays – Mornings
- f. 6 votes - Sundays – Mornings

4. Where would be the best place to have this building?

- a. 19 votes – Old tennis court site
- b. 11 votes – Old Shire Depot
- c. Old Hospital
- d. Palais Theatre site

Reasons given – Near things already used, park, pool, football. Has parking.

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5. If we had money to build something else for Youth – and it wasn't a Youth Centre – what would it be?

- Art Studio
- BMX Track
- Boxing Arena
- Cinema
- Clay Target Range
- Flipout
- Gymnasium
- Horse arena and trail rides
- Ice Rink
- Inflatable World
- Indoor Pool
- Mini Golf
- Motorbike Track
- Obstacle course
- Petting Zoo
- Shops
- Super X Stadium
- Upgrade football field
- Upgrade skate park
- Water park
- Waterslide at pool

Attachment 3

Nyngan High School

Workshop Feedback – 7 August 2019

1. Is there a need for a building to run youth activities for kids over 12 in Nyngan?

Yes – 23 votes

No – 3 votes

2. What would you like to do / need in a Youth Centre?

- Air-conditioning
- Areas for different age groups
- Bubble Soccer
- Computer and Internet Access
- Creative Art Workshops
- Escape Room
- Exercise Classes
- Games Room – Pool Tables, Air Hockey, Table Tennis
- Gym area / boxing & fitness
- Holiday Activities
- Indoor Sports Space (Netball, Basketball, Cricket, Soccer, Gymnastics)
- Informal Meeting Space / Beanbags – Chill Zone
- Kitchen for coffee / cooking
- Mental health service (Private Room)
- Mini stage for drama, music and dancing
- Movie Nights
- Music and Art Practice Space
- Music on in the background
- Outdoor Area (Fire pit and hang out space)
- Planned Events
- Planned Youth Group Activities (Like Richard Milligan used to run)
- Space for board games
- Study area
- Study Centre / Quiet Space
- Tech free zone
- Wi-Fi
- Yoga and meditation room.

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Other comments

- Need a community bus
- Organised events on Saturday nights

3. If we did have a Youth Centre, what times would you use it?

- a. Unanimous vote - School Holidays
- b. Very popular vote - After school, Mondays to Fridays – 3pm to 8pm
- c. Saturdays – Afternoons
- d. Saturday - Evenings
- e. Sundays – Mornings
- f. Sundays – Afternoons

Other comments

- Different winter and summer hours
- Different closing times for younger kids

4. Where would be the best place to have this building?

- a. 18 – Old tennis court site
- b. 5 – Pool Grounds
- c. 1 – Old Council Depot

Comments

- Tennis Courts close to all schools and O'Reilly Park, Pool and Oval
- Showgrounds too far and isolated
- Pangee Street too dangerous

5. If we had money to build something else for Youth – and it wasn't a Youth Centre – what would it be?

- 10 votes – Pool / Aquatic Centre (Heated / Hydrotherapy / Tiles Repaired / Slides / Diving Board)
- 4 votes – O'Reilly Park Upgrade (Flying Fox – something for older kids)
- 2 votes – Skate Park Upgrade
- 2 votes – Restaurant and more cafes
- 1 vote – Dancing Studio
- 1 vote – Indoor Sports Centre



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- 1 vote – Netball Courts (Hard Surface)
- Cinema
- Cricket Ground upgrade
- Flip Out
- Gymnastics space
- Motorbike track
- River “Family Space”
- Rock Climbing Centre
- Shops

6. If you could have any one of these other things, or a Youth Centre, what would you choose?

- Youth Centre: 21 votes
- Pool Upgrades: 1 vote

Attachment 4

Community Stakeholders Workshop Feedback – 7 August 2019

1. What buildings / indoor spaces are currently available to the community?

- 3CN Church
- Bowling Club
- Boxing Shed
- Church Halls
- CWA Hall
- Girl Guide Hall
- Library
- Nymagee Street Buildings
- Old Hospital
- Pubs
- Riverside Caravan park
- RSL Club
- Rugby Union Club
- School Halls and Gym
- Scout Hall
- Senior Citizens Hall
- Shire Depot
- Showground Pavilions
- Stockfeed Shop
- Tennis Club
- Town Hall
- Vacant Shops

2. What activities / programs are currently run in these buildings / indoor spaces?

- After hours sport
- Bogan Bush Mobile
- Boxing
- Conferences
- CWA Meetings
- Dancing
- Fitness
- Footy Functions
- Internet
- Karate
- Massages
- Morning Teas
- Playgrounds
- Pony Club, Expo and Show
- Pop Up Shop
- School Displays
- Seniors Dancing
- Sewing Group
- Sporting and Community events
- Training Days
- Weddings

3. Are there any limitations with these buildings / indoor spaces? What would address these limitations?

Limitations	Solution
Times when not available – School hours for halls	Community Centre open to all
Location – Not Central	Central location
Not available for public use	Public facility
Not big enough	Bigger and more versatile space
Old buildings, costly and impractical	New building – conversation of existing space (pavilion at showgrounds) Dedicated space
Not safe	Purpose built
Not maintained	New building
High School Gym too open / big	Contained space

4. What youth activities / programs could be run if we had a dedicated space for them?

- All indoor sports
- Art classes
- Gym
- Homework Centre
- IT space / computers
- Mental Health Outreach – Headspace
- Midnight basketball
- Movie Night
- Night activities
- Older people programs
- Parenting
- PCYC “travelling minstrel” type events
- Playgroups

- Recreation room – pool table
- Special events (blue light disco / sport and rec / fun nights)
- Youth Groups

5. What new or additional community activities / programs would you like to see run?

- A place for kids at risk to cook, wash clothing
- Aboriginal dance / All cultural activities
- Adult education – similar to Men's Shed (eg pottery, welding, IT for seniors)
- BMX bike track
- Cooking lessons
- Exercise groups for older people
- First Aid Classes
- Gaming / fun area
- Guest speakers
- Gymnastics
- Hang Out Space
- Health prevention / promotion / education
- Healthy cooking programs
- Holiday programs for school age kids
- Homework Centre
- Indoor bowls for elderly
- Indoor sport – (cricket, netball, soccer)
- IT gaming area
- IT programs (coding, internet, computers)
- Martial arts
- More coaching (professional) tutoring for kids
- Movie nights
- Music / band facilities
- Netball hard court surface
- Opportunity for Youth to create their own workshops to run (Drama, Music, Peer Support)

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- Organised programs and activities for Youth (Cooking classes, Novelty days, Arts & Craft days)
- Organised sport for Youth – (basketball, darts, volleyball)
- Outreach (Social Health Workers, Headspace, Support Groups)
- Place where children / youth / people can go and do a variety of programs with easy access
- Programs to encourage Youth to be involved in common activities and what they can achieve
- Public speaking clubs (Toastmasters)
- Putt putt course
- Safe community central centre with supervision and activities
- Safe social space
- Service Clubs (Lions / Rotary)
- Support program for kids that are struggling with things
- University of the 3rd Age (U3A)
- We talk about Closing the Gap – Community Centre brings everyone together
- Youth Groups
- Youth Worker to supervise to enable safe hang out space

6. What limitations are there to running the activities / programs that have been listed for Q5? What would address these limitations?

- Cost , location, support
- Lack of adequate space
- Limitations on space / access to larger building
- Suitable space – purpose built
- Space
- Space – purpose built Centre
- Space too small
- Facilities / Versatility of community space
- Appropriate spaces to run events and programs
- Lack of a central suitable centre that could be enlarged in time
- Access

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- Access – open after hours
- Availability – community booking system
- Inclusive
- No services available (a space where Headspace could operate)
- Not currently anything in place – community groups & clubs promoting more
- Suitable & appropriate equipment
- Demand – EOI
- Service clubs, lack of interest?
- Funding – grants, private donations
- Security, supervision – staff
- Supervision – training of supervisor
- Safety for Youth Activities – supervision
- Availability of staff – funding. Youth worker, volunteers
- Lack of Supervision and volunteers – coordinator to mobilise volunteers
- Staffing to run programs
- Space, money, numbers, teacher, staff (gymnastics)
- Time – need a full time paid employee, Volunteers are already doing enough
- No facility at present providing supervision and support
- Classes –people trained to run them
- Space, guest speakers, numbers, people to support it (Mothers groups)
- No community bus that can transport elderly or disabled to events

7. Comments from Suggestion Slips

- Any Youth Worker appointed would need to have skills in coordinating, equipping and inspiring volunteers. No single worker could achieve the goal of running and supervising.
- Broad approach for maximum accessibility – impose few restrictions to encourage maximum community involvement.
- Concrete skatepark.
- Great amount of money but in reality it won't go far. If new building is planned well to have staged additions when / if more money is available and addresses key areas as a priority. Feel space needs to cater for fun activities for Youth to include multipurpose sporting court (basketball, netball, volleyball, footsal etc).



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- Quiet space to hang out, pool table / air hockey etc. Youth Worker mandatory to coordinate, consider Wye Pavilion to stretch funds.
- I believe the Showground Area could be a starting point to build on and modify to accomplish various activities.
- I think it's great that we have been asked to come along and have input. I would be happy to have more input / help / suggestions if it is ever needed. I think it's important to work together as a community and that more importantly our children are the future generation of Nyngan and I believe if we have things / places and even job employment for them to stay in our town this is an added bonus.
- More consultation with missing key stakeholders is important for those that missed out. Continue to consult throughout the whole process.
- Nyngan JRL desperately needs lighting (we have simply run out of room to train. With volunteers having limited time after work and limited daylight during winter). Our numbers have doubled in the last 5 years and will continue to grow. Some of our teams at No 1 Oval, and it is massively overused and it is really doing it tough with the amount of traffic it gets.
- PLEASE provide an area for children of Nyngan to socialise in a safe space. Cater to a variety of interests. Provide adequate supervision.

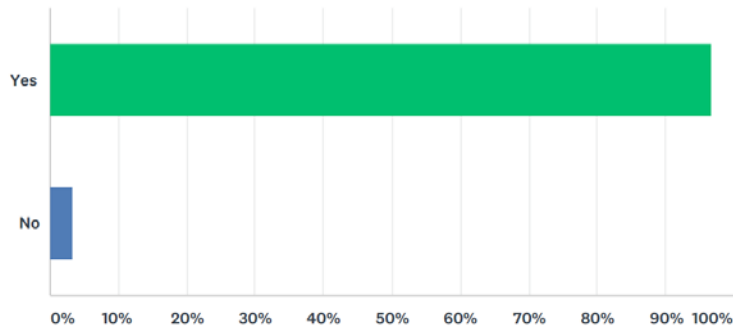
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Attachment 5

Q1 Is there a need for a space to run youth activities for 12 years and older in Nyngan?

Answered: 90 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	96.67%	87
No	3.33%	3
Total Respondents: 90		

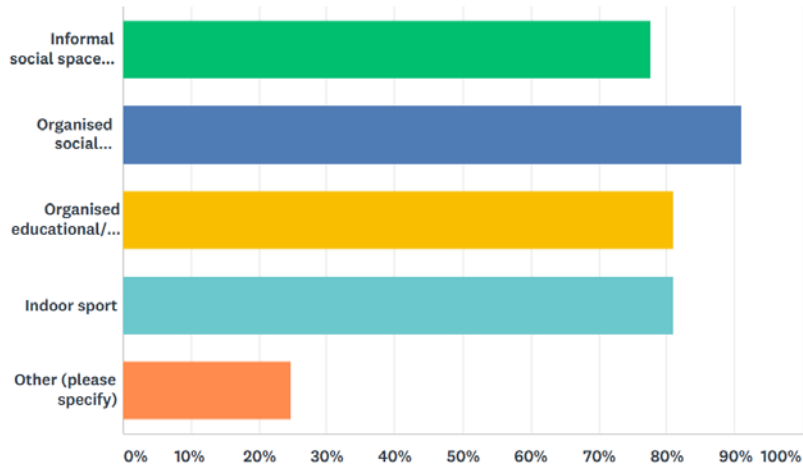
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Q2 What sort of activities could be run from this space?

Answered: 89 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Informal social space (place to hang out)	77.53% 69
Organised social activities	91.01% 81
Organised educational/training activities (ie driver training, life skills)	80.90% 72
Indoor sport	80.90% 72
Other (please specify)	24.72% 22
Total Respondents: 89	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Art or singing or something along those lines.	8/9/2019 7:54 PM
2	Visiting events,	8/9/2019 7:00 PM
3	Maybe look at starting the movies up again somewhere.	8/9/2019 6:41 PM
4	Indoor sport as a priority	8/9/2019 6:40 PM
5	A space for studying/tutoring.	8/9/2019 6:32 PM
6	art and craft activities music or jam activities possibly cultural activities	8/9/2019 6:10 PM
7	Mini golf Tennis coaching and clinics Job ready programs Basketball court Music events	8/9/2019 3:21 PM
8	A wider variety of sports/games for Nyngan could only be positive, (basketball, putt putt, tennis, soccer, obstacle course, gymnastics, table tennis, pool tables), with potential for supervision & competitions (clubs created),for each sport. Would encourage other activities to gain momentum in town, e.g. tennis club. Out of whether, hot summers, rainy days, be very popular.	8/9/2019 6:37 AM
9	Dance	8/9/2019 3:24 AM
10	Combine existing youth activities such as Western Studio of Performing Arts, Boxing Shed.	8/9/2019 12:30 AM
11	ideal place when weather conditions are not good such as heat and extreme cold etc.	8/8/2019 10:04 PM
12	Computer set up to do assignments, resumes etc. With help provided. Just a place that is a "Safe". With a Youth Worker to talk to ... A building big enough that indoor ?basketball, dancing (for all ages- whole community)	8/8/2019 8:17 AM

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13	It can be all of the above. Activities need to be decided on the needs of youth so it will need to be fluid.	8/8/2019 7:06 AM
14	Maybe movie night in the park once a month.	8/8/2019 6:43 AM
15	cooking art classes outdoor socialising space	8/7/2019 10:10 PM
16	Would be a space suitable for other functions / cooking area , meetings to be held etc	8/7/2019 7:49 AM
17	Workshops	8/6/2019 6:02 AM
18	Would be great to get a PCYC for sports including gymnastics for all ages.	8/3/2019 6:00 AM
19	Somewhere people of these ages could go to have time from family or time to relax, movies	8/2/2019 9:29 PM
20	Motorbike tracks on outskirts of town. Rid at own risk, so their is no insurance issue. That way kids learn responsibility.	8/2/2019 9:19 PM
21	Hire of space for activities and functions for seniors and well as youth	8/2/2019 9:14 PM
22	Outdoor social gatherings could be included. Supervised, this could be a safe space for younger kids.	8/2/2019 6:37 PM

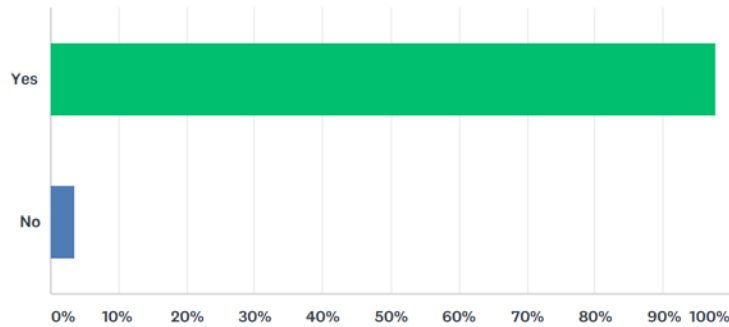
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Q3 If Council constructed a building for these activities, would part of the old tennis court site next to Larkin oval and the swimming pool be the best place?(Keep in mind the grant can't be used to buy existing buildings or land)

Answered: 86 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	97.67% 84
No	3.49% 3
Total Respondents: 86	

#	IF NO, ON WHICH PUBLIC LAND COULD IT BE BUILT?	DATE
1	yes; on the proviso, that there is no negative impact to the usable tennis courts currently being used by the Tennis club.	8/9/2019 9:24 PM
2	Unsure of any other public land available that is close proximity to a variety of already established facilities in town.	8/9/2019 7:00 PM
3	Would that be too small?	8/9/2019 6:32 PM
4	Railway land Park near pool Beside the pool or nearby on oval side Across the road from Barnardos but not part of th tennis club Wherever it is needs to be central and have safe paths for children to walk there. Not isolated area.	8/9/2019 3:24 AM
5	Or other suggestions should be considered - unsure of what vacant council land is available to suit required zoning	8/9/2019 12:30 AM
6	Would Tennis still be able to be played?? Updated to be used as part of the new building...	8/8/2019 8:17 AM
7	If possible, could the old palais site be utilised for a community centre as it is easy access for kids and parking.	8/7/2019 5:45 AM
8	Ideal spot would be where the palais is!! Or old Pre school. Don't see why we need so many old people homes when we have a lot of up coming kids that need guidance in life and things such as a youth centre in the middle of town would be fantastic.	8/3/2019 6:00 AM
9	Could also use the show grounds, toties tracks	8/2/2019 9:29 PM

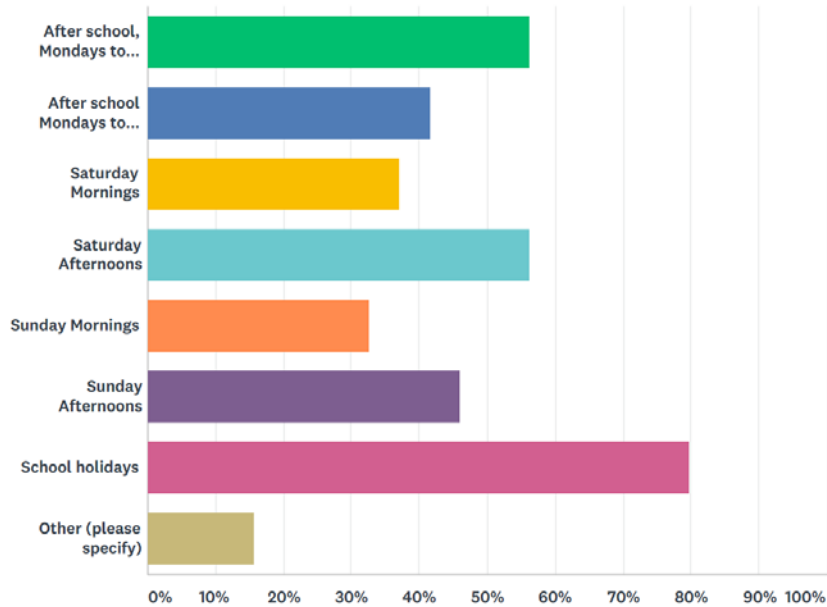
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Q4 What times would this space need to be available to the youth?

Answered: 89 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
After school, Mondays to Fridays 3pm-7pm	56.18% 50
After school Mondays to Fridays 4pm-8pm	41.57% 37
Saturday Mornings	37.08% 33
Saturday Afternoons	56.18% 50
Sunday Mornings	32.58% 29
Sunday Afternoons	46.07% 41
School holidays	79.78% 71
Other (please specify)	15.73% 14
Total Respondents: 89	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	When volunteers or community groups had the capacity to run activities.	8/9/2019 11:27 PM
2	Once established may be gauge the need for weekends - which may vary depending on seasons eg winter with footy & netball etc but that allows the youth who do not participate in those activities to attend	8/9/2019 7:00 PM
3	Friday and Saturday nights til around 11 would be ideal I think	8/9/2019 6:41 PM
4	Potentially later on Fri/Sat nights	8/9/2019 6:40 PM
5	After school, Mondays to Thursdays 3pm-8:30pm Consider having open LATER on a Friday night for organised social activities?	8/9/2019 6:32 PM
6	7 days per week 8am to 5pm	8/9/2019 3:21 PM
7	Potentially 7 days per week?	8/9/2019 6:37 AM



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8	Maybe every other weekend or weekends for special events	8/8/2019 7:07 AM
9	Youth need to decide.	8/8/2019 7:06 AM
10	friday and saturday nights for older age group after school 3-5 for younger age group sundays	8/7/2019 10:10 PM
11	If it's available for 12 to 24 years I don't see why it wouldn't be open 9 till 8 weekdays and 9 till late weekends. Or open around lunch.	8/3/2019 6:00 AM
12	It should be open full time live every other youth centre or PCYC is in every other town in Australia, don't do a half arsed job about it.	8/2/2019 10:39 PM
13	Something for people of these ages to get involved in, stop as much of criminal acts	8/2/2019 9:29 PM
14	Friday evenings for organised social events.	8/2/2019 6:37 PM

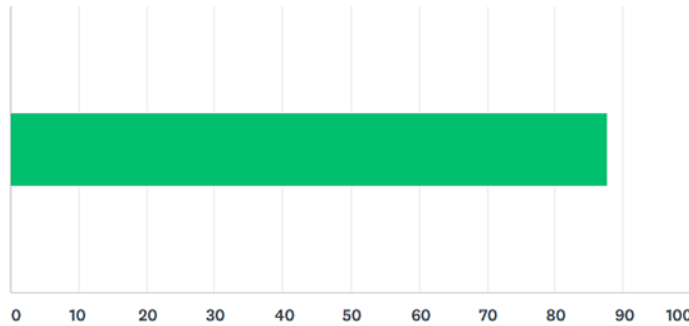
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Q5 How important is it that a youth worker be employed to supervise kids and organise programs and activities?

Answered: 89 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	88	7,806	89
Total Respondents: 89			

#		DATE
1	94	8/12/2019 5:45 PM
2	100	8/11/2019 3:30 AM
3	50	8/10/2019 1:52 AM
4	1	8/9/2019 11:27 PM
5	100	8/9/2019 10:21 PM
6	88	8/9/2019 10:05 PM
7	100	8/9/2019 9:51 PM
8	100	8/9/2019 9:24 PM
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Bogan Shire Youth and Community Centre		SurveyMonkey
25	61	8/9/2019 1:55 AM
26	90	8/9/2019 1:41 AM
27	50	8/9/2019 1:14 AM
28	100	8/9/2019 12:30 AM
29	98	8/8/2019 10:04 PM
30	100	8/8/2019 10:02 PM
31	100	8/8/2019 8:17 AM
32	69	8/8/2019 8:09 AM
33	100	8/8/2019 7:34 AM
34	100	8/8/2019 7:07 AM
35	100	8/8/2019 7:06 AM
36	58	8/8/2019 7:01 AM
37	46	8/8/2019 6:53 AM
38	78	8/8/2019 6:43 AM
39	99	8/8/2019 6:36 AM
40	40	8/8/2019 6:34 AM
41	54	8/7/2019 10:10 PM
42	100	8/7/2019 7:49 AM
43	95	8/7/2019 5:45 AM
44	100	8/7/2019 3:57 AM
45	73	8/6/2019 11:32 PM
46	100	8/6/2019 8:18 PM
47	100	8/6/2019 4:53 PM
48	80	8/6/2019 7:18 AM
49	100	8/6/2019 6:10 AM
50	100	8/6/2019 6:02 AM
51	99	8/6/2019 5:48 AM
52	100	8/6/2019 5:13 AM
53	88	8/6/2019 4:15 AM
54	100	8/6/2019 1:58 AM
55	95	8/6/2019 1:55 AM
56	100	8/6/2019 1:08 AM
57	100	8/6/2019 1:01 AM
58	100	8/6/2019 1:01 AM
59	52	8/6/2019 12:57 AM
60	65	8/6/2019 12:51 AM
61	93	8/6/2019 12:43 AM
62	88	8/6/2019 12:42 AM
63	100	8/5/2019 4:50 AM
64	100	8/3/2019 6:00 AM
65	85	8/3/2019 5:07 AM
66	100	8/3/2019 2:37 AM
67	100	8/3/2019 12:24 AM
68	100	8/2/2019 11:23 PM



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71	100	8/2/2019 10:39 PM
72	100	8/2/2019 10:23 PM
73	100	8/2/2019 10:09 PM
74	80	8/2/2019 9:56 PM
75	100	8/2/2019 9:48 PM
76	90	8/2/2019 9:46 PM
77	100	8/2/2019 9:37 PM
78	67	8/2/2019 9:34 PM
79	4	8/2/2019 9:29 PM
80	100	8/2/2019 9:25 PM
81	100	8/2/2019 9:19 PM
82	100	8/2/2019 9:14 PM
83	100	8/2/2019 9:11 PM
84	56	8/2/2019 9:11 PM
85	100	8/2/2019 9:11 PM
86	85	8/2/2019 7:16 PM
87	80	8/2/2019 7:13 PM
88	94	8/2/2019 6:53 PM
89	72	8/2/2019 6:37 PM

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Q6 Do you have any other comments?

Answered: 47 Skipped: 43

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	A youthworker would have buckleys chance of making the space available. What's needed is a manager who can ensure the space is kept in good order, manage bookings, manage volunteer/community groups, and ensure compliance.	8/9/2019 11:27 PM
2	Vending machine for snacks and drinks. Perhaps place for selling of homemade goodies (not made on premises) (sandwiches , cupcakes / slices etc)?	8/9/2019 10:05 PM
3	There is a worrying predisposition toward killing as a hobby for many Nyngan kids, it would be great to offer an alternative.	8/9/2019 7:54 PM
4	The youth of Nyngan require their own space to further develop face to face social skills while undertaking organised activities. Hopefully this will eliminate the experimental youth culture of alcohol and drugs in our community.	8/9/2019 7:00 PM
5	It is a great idea which needs an employed person to coordinate activities & seek different activities/programs. The town has a lot of current facilities that ca be utilised however the youth need a place to congregate outside organised activities plus the coordinator needs an area/office. We probably need to be creative to obtain the most.	8/9/2019 7:00 PM
6	Employ people as opposed to using volunteers. Kids have very little respect these days and volunteers shouldn't have to cop their rot for free. If volunteers are to be used, there should be some incentive for them to help out	8/9/2019 6:41 PM
7	Whatever structure is built, there needs to be a long term vision re sustainability. I feel the Shire should run the facility ensuring supervision and regular activities are provided. I'd hate to see a building rarely used.	8/9/2019 6:40 PM
8	If a youth worker cannot be employed, there are plenty of volunteers in the community who are going to WANT to lend a hand.	8/9/2019 6:32 PM
9	it might be nice to have some sort of pizza oven or BBQ space maybe some exercise equipment or classes possibly yoga 12 - 24 years is a very diverse age group, activities would have to be age appropriate i feel that teenagers will be less likely to visit if its overrun by 12ies or an older crowd	8/9/2019 6:10 PM
10	Planning and scheduling engaging things for the kids will be paramount to getting it used	8/9/2019 3:21 PM
11	Very exciting!! Could grow into something like a PCYC, with staff/volunteers running programs for youth.	8/9/2019 6:37 AM
12	Incorporating the Tennis Club, Skate Park, Football Club, soccer Club, hopefully Netball/Basketball Club would be essential to insure all sport in available and organised to Nyngans youths benefit. With the benefit of a youth worker the area could become a sporting hub for the town.	8/9/2019 3:52 AM
13	If anyone on council remembers how the youth centre at the Palais Theatre ran in the 1980's, it was great from a teenagers point of view. It was in a central area, safe to walk to and had supervisors. Something similar with structured activities/sports would be great. Children need to be able to access it without being driven there as many parents would be working during times it would run, therefore a location close to the town centre would suit more children.	8/9/2019 3:24 AM
14	It is much needed for the youth of the town to keep them out of trouble	8/9/2019 1:14 AM
15	Please consult on this great visionary idea as you did so with the ELC, Gardens/parking in the main street and the future of the Palais theatre. Involve Nyngan HS students in the consultation process and let us know what Youth Centre activities are undertaken in other towns. PLEASE ask all generations - youth, parents, grandparents. A youth centre is long overdue and 'It's time' (to quote a former Prime Minister.) Because in 5-10 years time, we will still need a youth centre - so let THIS generation of youth start to benefit mentally and physically. Great venue to attract some ARTS/cultural activities too. I expect that we will be hearing a lot more from council re this great opportunity. Question - why was the basketball hoop placed in the pool grounds when the pool is not open for part of the year? Would have been good to have it accessible all year round. A basketball court at the youth centre will fix this!	8/9/2019 12:30 AM
16	Have something for the kids to do instead of roaming the streets and getting in trouble	8/8/2019 8:09 AM

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17	Tennis court area is central to sporting and social areas of our town and consider this by far the best position.	8/8/2019 7:34 AM
18	Offering things like first aid, interview skills etc would be great for older kids. There may need to be consideration to the need to split ages groups at times	8/8/2019 7:07 AM
19	Make sure there are ample funds so this project maintains momentum.	8/8/2019 7:06 AM
20	Please use this money for youth. You already have used community designated grant funding for seniors living and sporting activities so please look after our young people. we don't need any more aged care stuff	8/7/2019 10:10 PM
21	Nyngan has needed a service like a youth centre or pycy for along time. Having a safe supervised place for youth to hang out, play sport and interact can only be beneficial for our youth and the community.	8/7/2019 5:45 AM
22	Would be so good for the town	8/6/2019 6:02 AM
23	Maybe also a place and activities for all school aged children	8/6/2019 5:48 AM
24	Make sure it's built so it is acceptable to be used, not sit there nd only being open every now and then.	8/6/2019 1:55 AM
25	No	8/6/2019 1:08 AM
26	The community is in desperate need of a facility	8/6/2019 1:01 AM
27	An upgrade to the skatepark is in desperate need Very hot in the summer And a very basic park compared to surrounding towns Used by alot of children	8/6/2019 12:43 AM
28	Such a great idea. I hope it goes ahead. It's something we REALLY NEED!!	8/3/2019 6:00 AM
29	Even a building that could be entered through both the pool grounds and from outside during summer months it could be supervised by pool or used privately, hired out. A local hangout for the kids maybe a pool table, air hockey, ect for our teenagers.	8/3/2019 5:07 AM
30	It would be fantastic for our community to have access to a supervised youth centre.	8/3/2019 2:37 AM
31	This has been needed for years. Thank You..	8/3/2019 12:24 AM
32	Potential name - The hub	8/2/2019 11:23 PM
33	Would rather see the Council apply for grants to upgrade or construct a new skate park and BMX/ pump track facilities at O'Reilly Park. Sadly the town lacks modern unstructured recreational facilities for the 8-17 age bracket and lags well behind other Orana Region towns in this regard. It sounds like to me that the youth centre will become a defacto indoor sports centre, indeed if that's the case just build one of those and advertise it as that. But for now the youth of Nyngan need modern unstructured rec facilities, enough pumping money into footy and swimming clubs , they have had their turn	8/2/2019 10:52 PM
34	No	8/2/2019 10:47 PM
35	This should be high on the councils agenda. The kids are screaming out for somewhere to go. Nyngan is that far behind with facilities for the kids or youth of this town it's embarasing!!	8/2/2019 10:39 PM
36	No	8/2/2019 10:23 PM
37	No	8/2/2019 10:09 PM
38	Nyngan has been in need for this for years , something like a PCYC. I have kids from 22 Yr to 12yrs old and a facility like this would have been beneficial all through out their years	8/2/2019 9:56 PM
39	The community needs a space like this for the health and well-being of our youth	8/2/2019 9:46 PM
40	I don't believe your age groups are ok. A 12 year old child should not be socialising with a 24 year old you are asking for trouble with your broad age limits. Children should not be with adults hanging out especially without adult supervision	8/2/2019 9:37 PM
41	Like for everyone of ages to get involved	8/2/2019 9:29 PM
42	I have been saying this for years. We were aloud to be kids. Kids today can't do that. It would be great to get kids out doing things rather than sitting in front of a screen.	8/2/2019 9:19 PM
43	We need somewhere for young people to go after school & weekend, organised activities are a great option. This could be worked with the pool manager and they could look after both venues. Kids are running the streets of a night or hiding out in crown land areas getting into trouble as there is nothing to do. It would be ideal for seniors to use after hours for dancing etc as the current space is not suitable being upstairs and have to be out by 8.30pm.	8/2/2019 9:14 PM



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44	There is a big need for nyngan to do something for the youth of the town. There is nothing at all at the moment for our youth and it is needed.	8/2/2019 9:11 PM
45	I think it's a chance to create a fantastic shared space for youth to access great opportunities including Council organised (Youth Worker) and for other people to use and contribute by bringing their own activities and services.	8/2/2019 7:16 PM
46	Well done Council - good to see something being done for the youth of the Shire.	8/2/2019 6:53 PM
47	Very much needed for high school aged kids - there is no community space for them to socialise outside of organised sport. Thanks Bogan Shire!	8/2/2019 6:37 PM



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Attachment 6



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REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

Mayor and Councillors

The following reports are submitted for consideration:-

1 INVESTMENTS JULY 2019

Summary:-

The report is to outline the performance of Council's Investment Portfolio for the month of July 2019.

At 31 July 2019 Council had \$13.6 million invested. There has been a decrease of \$400,000 due to spending on capital works projects funded by grant funds.

1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline the performance of Council's Investment Portfolio for the month of July 2019.

1.2 Background

In accordance with Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 a report must be presented to the Council setting out details of all the money that the Council has invested under section 625 of the Act.

1.3 Discussion

The Investment Report for July 2019 is shown below. At 31 July 2019 Council had \$13.6 million invested. There has been a decrease of \$400,000 due to spending on capital works projects funded by grant funds.

Consideration of this report means that Council is complying with the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.



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Investment Movements for July 2019

It is hereby certified that these investments have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Regulations thereto.

Bogan Shire - Investment movements						
REF	Source	Maturity	Days	% rate	Bal June 19	Bal July 19
3204	NAB	10/12/2019	365	2.800%	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00
4608	NAB	30/08/2019	90	2.220%	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00
3994	NAB	03/10/2019	120	2.220%	2,800,000.00	2,800,000.00
9467	NAB	15/01/2020	365	2.750%	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00
6894	NAB - Professional Funds	At Call		1.400%	6,194,182.31	5,800,054.64
	Balance securities held				13,994,182.31	13,600,054.64
	Balance Ledger 19010.8200.8200				13,994,182.31	13,600,054.64
	Summary by institution					
	NAB				13,994,182.31	13,600,054.64
					13,994,182.31	13,600,054.64

1.1 Recommendation

That the Investments Report for the month of July 2019 be received and noted.

2 SUMMARY OF RATE & ANNUAL CHARGES COLLECTION

Summary:-

The report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31 July 2019, with the same period last year.

Total arrears have increased from \$323,943 as at the 31 July 2018 to \$414,553 as at 31 July this year.

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide a comparison of rate collections as at 31 July, 2019, with the same period last year.

2.2 Discussion

This report is provided for the information of Councillors.

Rate Collections	2019-2020	2018-2019
Arrears Prior to 01/07/2019	414,553	323,943
First Instalment in arrears as at 31/7/2019	1,167,764	1,109,298
Second Instalment in arrears as at 31/7/2019	1,217,904	1,181,602
Third Instalment Outstanding as at 31/7/2019	1,230,873	1,191,908
Fourth Instalment Outstanding as at 31/7/2019	1,234,852	1,195,904
Total Arrears all prior to 1/7/19	414,553	323,943
Total Outstanding	5,265,946	5,002,655
Monthly Transactions		
Amount Levied & B/Fwd	5,420,594	5,244,118
Add: Adjustments	3,067	710
Less: Payments to end of July	-87,634	-165,490
Less: Rebates	-73,097	-79,618
Add: Postponed	3016	2935
Gross Total Balance	5,265,946	5,002,655
Arrears of total amount levied %	8%	6%

Total arrears have increased from \$323,943 at the 31 July 2018 to 414,553 as at 31 July this year. All arrears are prior to 1 July 2019 as new rates for 2019/20 have just been levied.



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Each instalment amounts to approximately \$1,355,000.

(Total Rates, Waste, Water & Sewer Access Charges)

As at 31 July 2019 Council had collected \$77,856 less than at the same time last year. At the time of writing this report an additional \$30,000 has been collected on current year rates.

2.3 Recommendation

That the Rates and Annual Charges Collection Report for the month of July 2019 be received and noted.

3 AUDIT OF 2018/2019 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

Summary:-

This report is to advise Council of the timeline for the Audit of the 2018/2019 Statutory Accounts.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the timing of the Audit of the Statutory Accounts for the 2018/2019 financial year.

3.2 Background

Council is required to produce and have audited a set of Statutory Accounts each financial year. The 2018/2019 financial year closed on 30 June 2019 and audited Statutory Accounts must be lodged with the Office of Local Government by 31 October 2019.

3.3 Discussion

The auditors have suggested audit dates between 28 to 30 August, 2019 providing that certain information is sent in advance.

Council staff plan to have a full set of Statutory Accounts completed by 19 August 2019 so that they can be adopted and referred to audit at Council's Ordinary Meeting scheduled for 22 August 2019. The Audit is planned to take place a month earlier than in previous years.

3.4 Recommendation

That the Audit of 2018/2019 Financial Accounts Report be noted.

4 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANISATIONS

Summary:-

The report is to advise Council of requests received for Financial Assistance in relation to Rates and Charges levied on Community Service Organisations.

Council has in the past granted Financial Assistance to the below organisations to help with payment of their Annual Rates and Charges. The request is that the same assistance applies to this current financial year.

4.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of requests for financial assistance in relation to rates and charges levied on Community Service Organisations.

4.2 Background

Council levies rates according to the Local Government Act 1993 (The Act) and its Operational Plan.

Under Section 356 of The Act Council can legally provide financial assistance to Community Organisations if their activities can be linked to outcomes specified in the Operational Plan.

The 2019/2020 rates were levied with these ratepayers included and if Council agrees to financial assistance then Council will pay for these from the donations budget of \$10,000 leaving a balance of \$4,671.

4.3 Discussion

Council has received five letters requesting financial assistance to meet the cost of rates and charges payable.

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Organisation	Levied 2018/19	Fin Assist 2018/19	Levied 2019/20	Fin Assist 2019/20	Justification
Hermidale CWA Branch	\$1,177	\$479	\$1,190	\$492	Sect 1.1 of the Operational Plan
Nyngan Baptist Fellowship	\$1,129	\$1,129	\$1,144	\$1,144	Sect 1.2 of the Operational Plan
Nyngan Baptist Fellowship Non-Res Sewer Access	\$540	\$540	\$540	\$540	Sect 1.2 of the Operational Plan
Trustees Bobadah Hall	\$607	\$316	\$624	\$325	Sect 1.1 of the Operational Plan
Girl Guides Association	\$1,402	\$1,402	\$1,436	\$1,436	Sect 1.2 of the Operational Plan
Girl Guides Association Non-Res Sewer Access	\$540	\$540	\$540	\$540	Sect 1.2 of the Operational Plan
Nyngan Water Ski Club			\$852	\$852	Sect 1.1 of the Operational Plan

• **Hermidale Branch CWA**

No Amount Specified

Small community organisation based in Hermidale who have received financial assistance in past years. Recommend we assist with the full amount of rates levied of \$167 and the Waste Depot Levy of \$325. They would then still pay the \$698 Rateable Water Charge for Hermidale.



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- **Nyngan Baptist Fellowship** **\$1,684**

This is a non-profit organisation who have requested that Council give them financial assistance for the fees charged for access to Council services. As this property is now operated as a Church it is no longer rateable for the general rates. Recommend we assist with amount payable of \$1,684.

- **Trustees Bobadah Hall** **\$325**

This is a non-profit organisation who have requested that Council give them financial assistance for the Waste Depot Levy. Recommend we assist with amount payable of \$325.

- **Girl Guides Association** **General Rates & Water Access Rate**

This is a non-profit community service organisation who has requested that Council give them financial assistance to pay for their Rates and Charges levied for 2019/2020 by way of the General rate and Water access rate.

Recommend that as in previous year's Council assist with the sum of \$1,976.

- **Nyngan water Ski Club** **General Rates & Waste Charges**

This is a non-profit community service organisation who has requested that Council give them financial assistance to pay for their Rates and Charges levied for 2019/2020 by way of the General rate and Water access rate. This assistance is necessary due to the long term drought Nyngan is currently in and the low water levels in the Bogan River restricting usage and therefore membership.

Recommend that Council assist with the sum of \$852.

4.4 Attachments

1. Email received from the Nyngan Baptist Church.
2. Letter received from the Nyngan Ski Club.
3. Letter received from Bobadah Hall Committee.



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4.5 Recommendation

That Council:

1. Provide financial assistance to Hermidale CWA to the value of \$492, which represents the general rate levied on the Hermidale CWA Building and the Waste Depot Levy.
2. Provide financial assistance to The Nyngan Baptist Fellowship to the value of \$1,684, which represents all rates and charges levied on the Nyngan Baptist Fellowship. This would exclude any usage charges for water.
3. Provide financial assistance to the Trustees of the Bobadah Hall to the value of \$325, which represents the Waste Depot Levy.
4. Provide financial assistance to the Nyngan Girl Guides Association to the value of \$1,976 which represents all rates and charges levied on the Girl Guides Hall. This would exclude any usage charges for water.
5. Provide financial assistance to the Nyngan Water Ski Club to the value of \$852 which represents all rates and charges levied.



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From: Nyngan Baptist [<mailto:nynganbaptist@gmail.com>]

Sent: Monday, 5 August 2019 5:26 PM

To: Admin

Subject: Attn: General Manager

Dear Mr Francis,

Thankyou for council's letter, sent by David Millar 17/7/19 to Nyngan Baptist Fellowship, regarding the Bogan Shire Council's provision to waive rates and charges by way of a donation to our community organisation.

We would like to again request that the council donate the rates and charges applicable to the property 50-52 Cannonbar Street which is the former Scout Hall and now Community Hall.

Additional to previous upgrades and improvements, we have recently, through Crown Land funding as well as an additional \$5000 of donated funds, upgraded the kitchen at the hall. We continually seek to develop the property for the use of the community, and all members of the community are welcome to hire the hall for minimal cost- which all goes towards maintenance and up-keep.

Council's donation of rates and charges helps us to achieve this goal, and we thank you in advance for your consideration of our request.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Milligan

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**NYNGAN WATER SKI CLUB INC.
PO BOX 342
NYNGAN NSW 2825**

To: Bogan Shire Council
Re: Rates
12 July 2019

Dear Mr Francis

Nyngan Water Ski Club is a non-profit organisation run entirely by volunteers. The Club provides economic benefit to the Bogan Shire with members purchasing fuel, groceries, accommodation and take-away food from local businesses. More than half the membership resides in neighbouring towns and travel to Nyngan on a regular basis, further boosting the economy and tourism profile of our town.

The drought has had a devastating impact on the Club's finances. The water level of the Bogan River has caused it to be unusable since 2018. The Club received no membership revenue for the 2018-2019 season and it is likely the Club will receive minimal membership revenue in the upcoming season. It is anticipated only a few people will renew their membership as an act of charity to keep the Club running.

With little to no membership revenue, the Club has ongoing expenses including:-

- Insurance \$1500 p.a.
- Electricity \$1137 p.a.
- Bogan Shire Council Rates \$829 p.a.
- Dept of Industry Rent \$578 p.a.

In order to cut costs the Club is investigating having the electricity turned off - whether the disconnection and subsequent reconnection fees offset any savings. We have considered discontinuing our insurance policy, however with the existence of the Clubhouse and amenities block it is preferable to retain the policy for public liability purposes. Our insurance broker advises we would have great difficulty obtaining a new policy if we allowed the current one to lapse.

For the last three years the Club has paid a local resident to provide cleaning services. This arrangement will not be renewed this season. Maintenance of buildings, including plumbing, pumps, outdoor furniture, and the boat ramp is undertaken by volunteers.

At the AGM of 11 July 2019 the committee undertook to canvas with Bogan Shire Council the possibility of a waiver of rates for the current financial year. This would assist with keeping the Club in 'maintenance mode' while membership revenues are low.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Jeffery".

Brett Jeffery
President



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Bobadah Hall Committee
C/- Richard Harley
Secretary / Treasurer
Pretty View
Bobadah via Condobolin NSW 2877
Ph: 0268963986
Mobile: 0448821937
Email: pretty.view@bigpond.com

06 August 2019
Bogan Shire Council
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear Sir / Madam

Re: Bobadah Hall Assessment No: 1001789

I am writing on behalf of the Bobadah Hall committee requesting an exemption from the waste depot charge of \$325.00

The Bobadah Hall is situated 115 kilometres south of Nyngan and therefore will never use nor receive any benefits from using the waste depot situated in Nyngan.

The Bobadah Hall committee is a voluntary, non-profit committee made up of a handful of local landholders. We have already been forced to make the tough decision of disconnecting the electricity to the hall due to the rising power costs but the Committee will continue to pay the shire rates and building insurance.

Due to the limited opportunity to raise funds for the upkeep of the Bobadah hall, we request the Council waive the waste depot levy.

Kind regards

Richard Harley
Secretary / Treasurer
Bobadah Hall

BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL	
FILE	R/N
3 AUG 2019	
ASSIGNEE	

5 CARRY FORWARDS AND REVOTES FROM 2018/2019 CAPITAL BUDGET

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the carry-forward amounts for the 2019/2020 budget and to ask Council to revoke on projects that had not commenced or were not contracted to commence as at 30 June 2019.

5.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the carry-forward amounts for the 2019/2020 budget and to ask Council to revoke on projects that had not commenced as at 30 June 2019.

5.2 Background

Division 5, Clause 211 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, Authorisation of Expenditure, states that all prior approvals of a budget lapse at the end of the financial year except for any work, service, goods or materials, or facilities, that has or have been started or provided or contracted to be carried out or provided for the Council before the end of the year concerned. Therefore, budgeted expenditure can be carried forward automatically to the next financial year where there are unspent budget amounts or the expenditure was started or contracted prior to the end of the financial year.

5.3 Discussion

Council is required to revoke on any projects or items of expenditure that had not commenced before the 30 June 2019 before work commences on these projects in the current budget year.

In the following Appendices below are:

1. A list of the carry forward items for noting by Council. These are projects that have budget remaining or restricted funds from 2018/2019. Either the work on these projects has commenced in the prior year and the Directors of these projects need to utilise the remaining budgets in the current year or they are grant funds not fully utilised in the 2018/2019 year for various reasons or specific projects that Council needs to restrict budget funds to ensure they are available in future years.



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2. A list of projects that had not commenced before the end of June 2019 and Directors believe it was Council's intention to complete these projects or to add funds to them in prior years to enable the projects to be carried out. These projects require a revote from Council before they can be commenced in the current year or before the funds can be added to the current 2019/2020 budgets.

5.4 Recommendation

1. That the Carry Forwards from 2018/2019 to 2019/2020 be noted.
2. That the Council revote on items that had not commenced prior to the 30 June 2019.

**Stephanie Waterhouse
Director Finance and Corporate Services**

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Appendix A. Carry Forward Items – for noting

Carry Forward	Restrict Asset Girilambone Village Ameni	annual \$6k vote less expended	14,185
Carry Forward	Restrict Asset Village Amenit Coolabah	annual \$6k vote less expended	28,511
Carry Forward	Restrict Asset Hermidale Village Ameniti	annual \$6k vote less expended	24,920
Carry Forward	Museum Activities/Projects	13-14 resolution not spent - c/o UF	5,357
Carry Forward	Garford Engine - Proceeds from Historical Society	Funds Received 7/6/17	5,224
Carry Forward	FAG Grant 2018/19	2019/2020 Received in Advance	2,139,652
Carry Forward	Community Arts and Culture Fund	G/L 3890.460.603	30,724
Carry Forward	Tongling Delegation	G/L 3853.460.603	5,171
Carry Forward	Collereina Hall	Village annual vote	22,834
Carry Forward	Nyngan Cemetery - Commence Tree Replacement Program	2014/15 Budget	7,336
Carry Forward	Recycling Facility	2015/16 Budget	385,168
Carry Forward	Waste Depot at Nyngan	2015/16 Budget	44,379
Carry Forward	Bogan Shire Seniors Living now Medical Centre Extensions	2015/16 Budget Revote 2019/20 Budget	188,287
Carry Forward	Asset Management - Grant Funds FTF Innovation Fund	2016/2017 Grant Funds	50,002
Carry Forward	Old BP Service Station - Heritage Park Stage 2	2016/2017 Budget	13,804
Carry Forward	Reconstruct 1km of Colane Rd	2016/2017 Res 177/2017	69,711
Carry Forward	Rural Fire Service	Carry Forward 17/18	95,132
Carry Forward	Demolition of old Bush Mobile Building for Seniors Living	2017/2018 Budget	32,169
Carry Forward	Levee Bank Re-sheeting	2017/2018 Budget	8,964
Carry Forward	Renewal to 8A & B Dandaloo Street	2017/2018 Budget	25,488
Carry Forward	PC Upgrade (Was W3703)	2017/2018 & 2018/19 Budget	15,023
Carry Forward	IT Equipment	2017/2018 & 2018/19 Budget	8,663
Carry Forward	New Records Scanner and Software	2017/2018 Budget	2,297
Carry Forward	Tree Planting Program - Nyngan Streets and Parks	2017/2018 Budget	8,680
Carry Forward	Ground Tanks (Was W3720)	2017/2018 & 2018/19 Budget	22,364
Carry Forward	NSW Local Land Services - Develop & Print Bio Security Information	Grant 17/18	3,135
Carry Forward	Revitalising Wye Pavilion	Grant 18/19 Drought Communities	1,614
Carry Forward	Water Play Zone Nyngan Pool	Grant 18/19 Drought Communities	38,223
Carry Forward	Fire Station & Chinese Cemetery	Grant 18/19 Drought Communities	2,722
Carry Forward	Nyngan Senior Living	Grant 18/19 SCCF Rnd 2	325,056
Carry Forward	Nyngan Showground Jockey Rooms	Grant 18/19 SCCF Rnd 2	19,727
Carry Forward	Rural/Regional Youth Participation Grant	Grant 18/19	1,500
Carry Forward	Crown Lands Management Act	Grant 18/19	94,290
Carry Forward	Crown Land Reserves - Jockey Rooms, Fix Drainage & Sheds	Grant 18/19	37,352

Appendix B Re-votes

Revote	Reseal Apron - Stage 2	2015/16 Budget	93,000
Revote	Map Info Integration	2016/2017 Budget	10,000
Revote	Renewal to 76A & B Pangee Street	2017/2018 Budget	60,000
Revote	Pipe Culvert Renewals Rural roads (Was W3692)	2017/2018 & 2018/19 Budget	40,000
Revote	Bridge Repair Program (Was W3691)	2017/2018 & 2018/19 Budget	40,000
Revote	Roads Closed Signs	2017/2018 Budget	18,600
Revote	Wyes Road Box Culvert	2017/2018 Budget	15,000

REPORT TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

Mayor and Councillors

I submit the following report for consideration:-

1 OPERATIONAL REPORT

1.1 Civil Works

Work undertaken during this reporting period from 15 July 2019 to 9 August 2019 consisted of the following:-

- Assisting with the removal of the seating from Palais Theatre.
- Assisting with repairs and maintenance at the Nyngan Showground.
- Completing repairs to paving in Pangee Street CBD.
- Constructing new cremation headstones for the lawn cemetery.
- Completing repairs to seating in Davison Park.
- Continuing to assist with the removal of asbestos from the old Pre-School building.
- Commencing construction of a cremation plot at the Girilambone Cemetery.
- Assisting with laying of pavers in the main street gardens.

1.2 Community Facilities

Work undertaken by Council's Community Facilities during this reporting period consisted of the following:-

- Preparation and cleaning showground for the annual Ag Expo.
- Completing repair to the pump for No.2 & 3 Ovals.
- Mowing and maintenance of ovals and reserves.
- Cleaning of town facilities.
- Cleaning and sweeping of the Nyngan CBD.
- Cleaning and maintenance of town streets and nature strips.
- Cleaning of town streets gutters and culverts.
- Digging and backfilling of graves.
- Completing private works.

1.3 Roads

The work undertaken during this reporting period by Rural Works Crews consisted of the following:-

No.	Name	Comments
44	Koomanganon Road	Maintenance grading completed.
1	Murrawombie Road	Maintenance grading completed.
24	Canonba Road	Maintenance grading completed.
MR61	Cobar Condo Road	Maintenance grading commenced.
9	Glenn Garriff Road	Maintenance grading completed.
46	Drummey's Road	Maintenance grading commenced.
92	Colane Road	Maintenance grading completed.
11	Honeybugle Road	Maintenance grading completed.
56	Dicksons Road	Maintenance grading completed.

The works program for the remainder of August and September includes but is not limited to the following works:-

- Commencing works to install underground drainage at Showground.
- Commencing roadwork to widen approximately 4km of the Mitchell Highway North of Nyngan near the property 'Wilgaree'.
- Continuing maintenance grading, or resheeting of the following roads:-
Jump's Road, Cobar-Condobolin Road and Piesley Road.
- Continuing to cart water to supply the villages of Girilambone and Coolabah.

1.4 Recommendation

That the Operational Report for the reporting period 15 July 2019 to 9 August 2019 be received and noted.

2 DESILTING WILGA TANK

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the allocation of funds to de-silt and enlarge Wilga Tank.

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the allocation of funds to de-silt and enlarge Wilga Tank.

2.2 Background

Wilga Tank is located approximately half way between the villages of Girilambone and Coolabah with a large catchment area that provides a good water supply from a decent storm. This water can then be pumped to both villages to supplement their local ground tank supplies.

2.3 Discussion





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Wilga Tank was last de-silted in the late eighties and has not been empty for more than twenty years. The tank has been dry for several months and now would be the ideal time to de-silt and enlarge it before we get a storm that partly fills it. If this ground tank had a larger capacity, it may be enough to get us through the next big drought without carting water to the villages.

The estimated cost of de-silting and enlarging Wilga Tank is \$75,000. Council wrote to the Minister in February requesting financial assistance for emergency drought works including de-silting of Wilga, Girilambone, and Coolabah ground tanks. We were advised that this work did not meet the criteria for funding at the time.

Although emergency water carting to Girilambone and Coolabah is subsidised, of the total cost of \$47,087 to the end of May, Council was required to contribute \$10,042 of that amount to receive the grant of \$37,045 from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

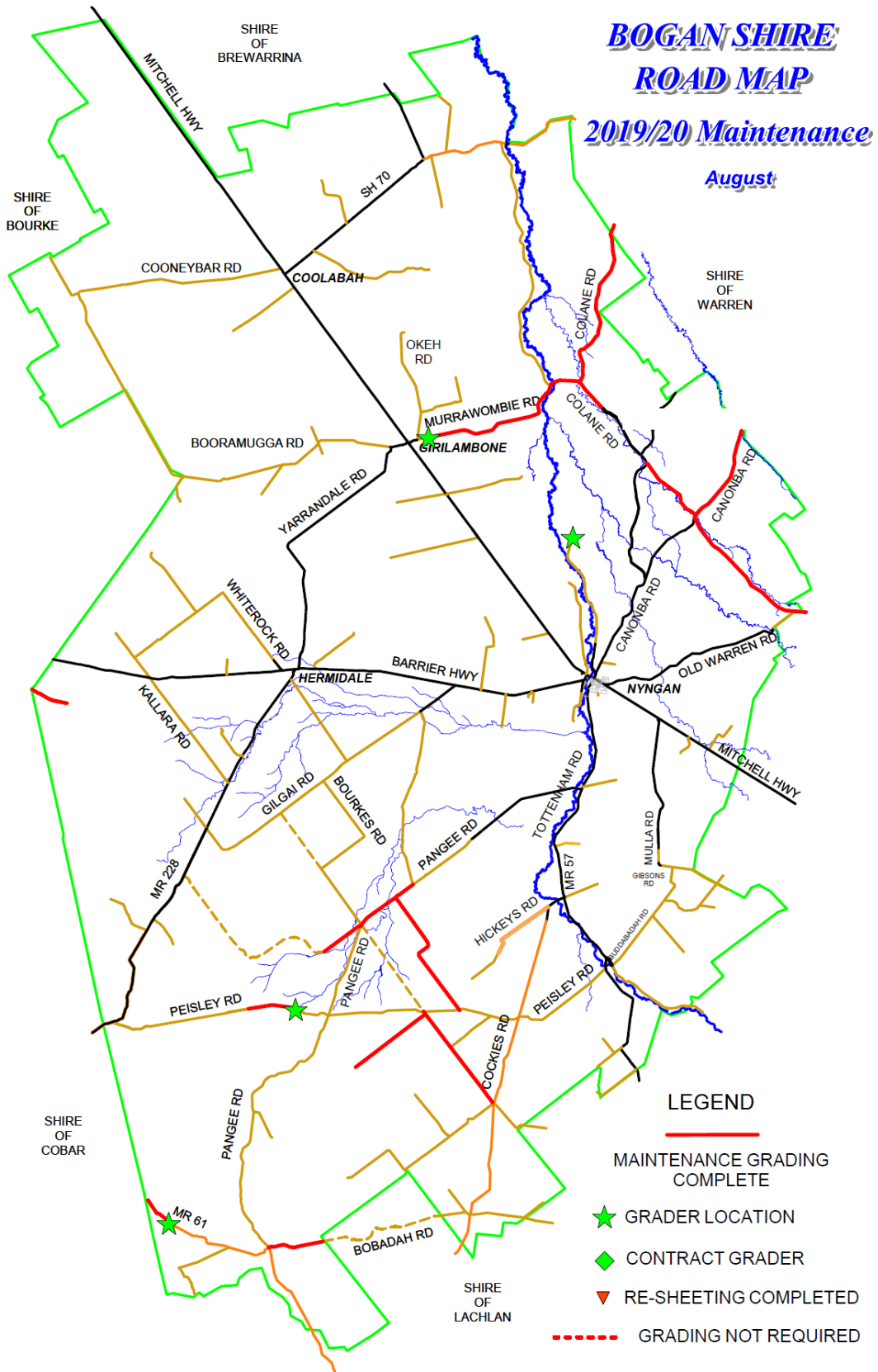
Council is investigating the availability of other sources of grant funding for this project but it is felt that the sooner the work can be completed, the better our chance of securing the village water supplies for future dry periods.

2.4 Recommendation

For Council's Consideration.

Graeme Bourke
Director Engineering Services

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**REPORTS TO ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – DIRECTOR OF
DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT**

Mayor and Councillors

I submit the following reports for consideration:-

1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

1.1 Introduction

Two (2) applications have been approved and One (1) application has been withdrawn since Council's meeting of 25 July 2019. Two (2) applications are currently with Council for consideration as tabled below:

DA NUMBER	APPLICANT	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE (\$)	PROGRESS
2019/002	Mr Gordon Irving	166 Temples Lane, Nyngan	Subdivision	-	Approved
2019/009	Lois Allport	112 Wyes Road, Nyngan	Subdivision	-	Application withdrawn by applicant.
2019/012	Tritton Resources Pty Ltd	Lot 1 Section 3 DP 986 Booramugga Road, Hermidale	New Industrial Workshop	\$24,500	Additional information requested from applicant
2019/013	Langford and Rowe Consulting Surveyors	710 Hickys Road Nyngan	Subdivison	-	Additional information requested from applicant
2019/015	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	109 Pangee Street Nyngan	Internal Alterations	\$60,000	Approved

1.2 Recommendation

That the Development Applications Report since the 25 July Council Meeting be received and noted.

2 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

2.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline key works undertaken by Council's Parks and Gardens Team and Noxious Weeds Officer.

2.2 Discussion

Key works undertaken by Council's Parks and Gardens Team consisted of the following:-

- Routine upkeep and maintenance duties including manual watering (where required), whipper snipping, mowing, weed removal at Nyngan Cemetery, Davidson Park, Vanges Park, Medical Centre, Teamsters Rest, Town Hall and Senior Citizens Area, Flood Memorial Rest Area, Council Administration Building, Moonagee Street Park, Early Learning Centre, Rotary Park, Pioneer Park, Lions Park, Centenary Park and Council housing.
- Facilitation of National Tree Planting day with Nyngan Schools.
- Assisting with maintenance at Nyngan Waste Facility.
- Completion of paving in garden beds adjacent to Marts Café.
- Trial of new soft fall in playground at O'Reilly Park.
- Topping up of bark in playground located at Rotary Park.
- Assisting in draining and pressure cleaning of Nyngan Memorial Pool in preparation of re-tiling works.

Key works undertaken by Council's Noxious Weeds Officer consisted of:-

- Boundary and road side inspections.
- Property inspections as required under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.
- Trial of new electronic mapping software.
- Completion of End of Financial Year report for NSW DPI Weeds Action Program.
- Assisting in draining and pressure cleaning of Nyngan Memorial Pool in preparation of re-tiling works.
- Attendance at Macquarie Valley Weed Advisory Committee Meeting.

2.3 Recommendation

That the Operational Report, including Parks and Gardens Team and the Noxious Weeds Officer be received and noted.

Tony Payne

Director of Development and Environmental Services

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

1 OFFICE OF ROY BUTLER MP, MEMBER FOR BARWON

Attached is a copy of an email receive from the Office of Roy Butler MP, Member for Barwon advising Mr Butler has approved of Mr Michael Enright for the position of Local Traffic Committee Representative for Barwon Electorate in Bogan Shire.

1.1 Recommendation: That the email receive from the Office of Roy Butler MP, Member for Barwon advising Mr Butler has approved of Mr Michael Enright for the position of Local Traffic Committee Representative for Barwon Electorate in Bogan Shire be received and noted.

2 ELWYN TROTHER

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from Mr Elwyn Trothe concerning the lack of action on the part of the Caltex Service Station (next door to his residence) in addressing concerns about the location of the fuel storage tank vent pipes. As the letter states Mr Trothe believes their current location causes unnecessary air pollution for the residents of the adjoining properties which impacts peace and comfort and potentially their health. Could this matter be addressed as a matter of urgency?

2.1 Recommendation: For Council's Consideration.

3 ST JOSEPH'S PARISH SCHOOL, NYNGAN

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from St Joseph's Parish School and in particular the co-ordinators of the P & F raffle. They are asking Council for a donation to go towards the major raffle drawn at their annual school fete on 9 November 2019 and to consider again donating a 2019/2020 Swimming Season Family Pass for the Nyngan Swimming Pool.

General Manager's Note: The last two years Council has donated a Swimming Pool Family Pass for the current season.

3.1 Recommendation: That Council again donate a Swimming Season Family Pass 2019/2020, family of four, for the Nyngan Swimming Pool at a cost of \$215.00.

4 NYNGAN SWIMMING CLUB

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Nyngan Swimming Club asking Council if it would be possible for Council to donate a Pool Family Season Ticket to raffle to raise funds for the Club. Council is also asked to consider additional aluminum tables and benches for the pool.

General Manager's Note: Council donates \$500 per year to the Annual Swimming Carnival and \$486 per year for the Annual Licence for the Clubhouse.

4.1 Recommendation: For Council's Consideration.

5 THE HONOURABLE SHELLEY HANCOCK MP - MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Minister for Local Government advising that the NSW Government announced this week that it will fund the first year increase of the Emergency Services Levy for all local Councils to meet the cost of new workers' compensation arrangements for firefighters. The Government acknowledges that the additional costs presented challenges for Councils particularly those currently affected by the drought.

5.1 Recommendation: That the correspondence received from the Minister for Local Government advising that the NSW Government announced this week that it will fund the first year increase of the Emergency Services Levy for all local Councils to meet the cost of new workers' compensation arrangements for firefighters be received and noted.

6 NYNGAN HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Attached is a copy of a *thank you* letter received from the Nyngan Hospital Auxiliary thanking Councillors for the donation to the Auxiliary. The assistance the Auxiliary received allows for the purchase of items for the local Health Service.

6.1 Recommendation: That the copy of a *thank you* letter received from the Nyngan Hospital Auxiliary thanking Councillors for the donation to the Auxiliary be received and noted.



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7 WEEKLY CIRCULARS

Weekly Circulars dated 19 July 2019, 25 July 2019, 1 August 2019 and 8 August 2019 have been emailed to Councillors for information.

7.1 Recommendation: That the Local Government Weekly Circulars dated 19 July 2019, 25 July 2019, 1 August 2019 and 8 August 2019 be noted.

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Email:

Good morning,

Roy Butler MP is pleased to approve Mr Michael Enright for the position of Local Traffic Committee Representative for Barwon Electorate in Bogan Shire.

If you have any further enquires please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Danilla.



Danilla Cooney

Electorate Officer

Office of Roy Butler MP, Member for Barwon

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37 Pangee Sreet

Nyngan

NSW 2825

Att. D. Francis – re Caltex Service station fuel vent pipes.

Mayor & Councillers,
Bogan Shire Council,
Nyngan.

I refer to previous correspondence between myself and Bogan Shire Council with regard to this matter.

I am concerned about the lack of action on the part of the owners of the Caltex service station in addressing concerns about the location of the fuel storage tank vent pipes.

I believe that their current location causes unnecessary air pollution for the residents of the adjoining properties which impacts peace and comfort and, potentially, their health.

Please could this be addressed as a matter of urgency.

Regards,

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Elwyn Trothe.

BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL	
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St Joseph's Parish School, Nyngan

23 Terangion Street
NYNGAN NSW 2825
Telephone: (02) 68321588
Email: admin.nyngan@wf.catholic.edu.au

July 2019

Dear Business Owner/Manager,

On behalf of St Joseph's Parish School Nyngan, and in particular as P&F raffle co-ordinators for our major raffle, we write to you to seek support and assistance with this wonderful fundraiser which is drawn at our annual school fete to be held on Saturday 9th November this year.

St Joseph's Parish School Nyngan is a small school which is geographically isolated, with 110 students in attendance. Each year we hold an annual fete and major raffle to raise funds for our school, in particular, for students' equipment, supplies and excursions. Our primary focus this year is to raise funds for the Stage 3 students to travel to Canberra for 4 days to see the sights and experience Australia's National Capital! For some of our students, this is the first and only time they will have this opportunity to travel to Canberra. As the cost of travel is so high, we have had to reduce our excursion from 5 days to 4 days, unfortunately though there may still be a number of students who possibly won't be able to participate in this educational excursion due to the expenses. Given that our community is largely reliant on farming income, this is made even harder this year with the continuing drought. Our aim is to be able to provide this opportunity to every student.

We are therefore asking you for your help with a donation to go towards our major raffle. Last year we really appreciated your donation of the Family Season Pass at the Nyngan Swimming Pool and would like to ask if the Bogan Shire Council would be kind enough to donate a Swimming Pool Family Pass again this year for our major raffle.

In the past we compiled our many donations into 3 large major prizes, with first prize being gifts and vouchers valued over \$1,000, 2nd prize valued at over \$500 and 3rd prize valued at over \$250. We will do our best to advertise and promote your business during our raffle with newspaper and social media posts.

We would be sincerely grateful of a donation to go towards our major raffle and hope that you will consider our request.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at the below listed email or mobile.

Kind Regards,

Sarah Tremain & Kyri Martin
Raffle Co-ordinators
sarah.tremain@elders.com.au
kyri.martin@det.nsw.edu.au

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PO Box 208
NYNGAN NSW 2825

9th August 2019

To Derek and Council Members,

As per our meeting today.

Nyngan Amateur Swimming Club is looking at fundraising for our club and ways to raise much needed funds. One of our committee members suggested a free Family Season Ticket to raffle and as a committee, we agreed. Would it be possible to gain a Pool Family Season Ticket to raffle, please?

Secondly, with all the wonderful work that has been taking place at the pool through the installation of the Water Play Area, Basketball Court, upgrading of the Amenities, Façade, Garden beds and Parking. Would it be possible to gain additional aluminium tables and benches for families to utilise?



We would like to thank you for your ongoing support of our club and we look forward to your feedback.

Kind Regards

Lorraine Wales
Club President/Registrar
0408 195 922

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The Honourable Shelley Hancock MP
Minister for Local Government

Dear Mr Francis

The NSW Government announced this week that it will fund the first year increase of the Emergency Services Levy for all local councils to meet the cost of new workers' compensation arrangements for firefighters. The State's 128 councils will receive \$13.6 million in relief from the NSW Government this financial year to help support firefighters with cancer.

The Government acknowledges that the additional costs presented challenges for councils, particularly those currently affected by the drought. We also acknowledge that many councils had already developed their 2019-20 Budgets before the invoices for the increased Emergency Services Levy were issued.

The Government will fund the \$13.6 million increase in 2019-20 to alleviate the immediate pressure on local councils. You will be aware that the State's emergency services have been funded through a long standing cost sharing arrangement between insurers, councils and the Government. It is important that this continues into the future to ensure we look after the health and wellbeing of our frontline firefighters.

Not only has the Government listened and responded to the concerns of councils, we will continue to consult with the local government sector to better manage the impacts of the Emergency Services Levy especially on annual budgeting cycles.

The Government remains committed to supporting local councils to deliver for their local communities. Since 2011, we have provided more than \$9 billion to councils to deliver and improve local infrastructure, services and facilities for their communities.

The Office of Local Government will provide further advice to councils shortly in relation to payment arrangements.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shelley Hancock".

The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP
Minister for Local Government

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NYNGAN Branch

Date 5-8-2019

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the sum of one thousand ninety nine dollars
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With Thanks

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Per J Bounke

P.O. Box 267
Nyngan

To Bogan Shire Councillors,

Thankyou so much to
you all for the generous
donation to our Auxiliary
funds. We are always most
grateful to receive assistance
as we purchase items for our
local health service. Receipt
enclosed. Sincerely, Mary Lamb
(ACTING SECRETARY)

