



"Comfortable Country Living"

18th February 2019

The Hon. Niall Blair
Minister for Primary Industries, Regional Water, Trade and Industry
Level 30, Governor Macquarie Tower
1 Farrer Place
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Minister,

RE: Nyngan Cobar Water Security - Drought Financial Assistance.

The Security of water for the towns of Nyngan and Cobar has been an ongoing issue for many years. Nyngan and Cobar do not have reliable local sources of water. When the Bogan River ceases to flow, supply is completely dependent on the Macquarie River which often does not have enough available water to meet the high levels of demand.

In 2007, low water levels in Burrendong Dam caused severe water restrictions and heightened concerns that the Macquarie River may not offer the level of water security previously assumed.

Restart NSW provided funding of \$10,000,000 in December 2014 as the first stage in securing water for the two towns, to plan, design and construct a 700mL off-river storage at Nyngan. After two and a half years of planning and design, construction commenced in July 2017 and was completed in December 2018.

Unfortunately, the project cost did not include water for filling the storage dam at the completion of construction. Nyngan now has an empty 700mL storage dam and no water to fill it at time when we have been advised that if the current drought continues, Burrendong Dam is expected to be empty in 12 months and the only water supply for the two towns will cease to flow.

Council is writing to request urgent financial assistance to purchase 1,000mL of emergency water, allowing for transmission losses and seepage, to fill our storage before there is no water available. The city of Dubbo and the town of Warren also source their water from the Macquarie River via Burrendong Dam but, they have bores to supplement their water supplies if the river is dry. Nyngan and Cobar have no other water source if the Macquarie River ceases to flow and will be required to cart water in at an extremely high cost.



**Director of Engineering Services' Report to the Ordinary Meeting of
Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**



"Comfortable Country Living"

We hope you are able to assist with this request and look forward to a favourable reply.

Yours sincerely

Derek Francis
General Manager
Bogan Shire Council

NYNGAN COBAR WATER SECURITY PROJECT

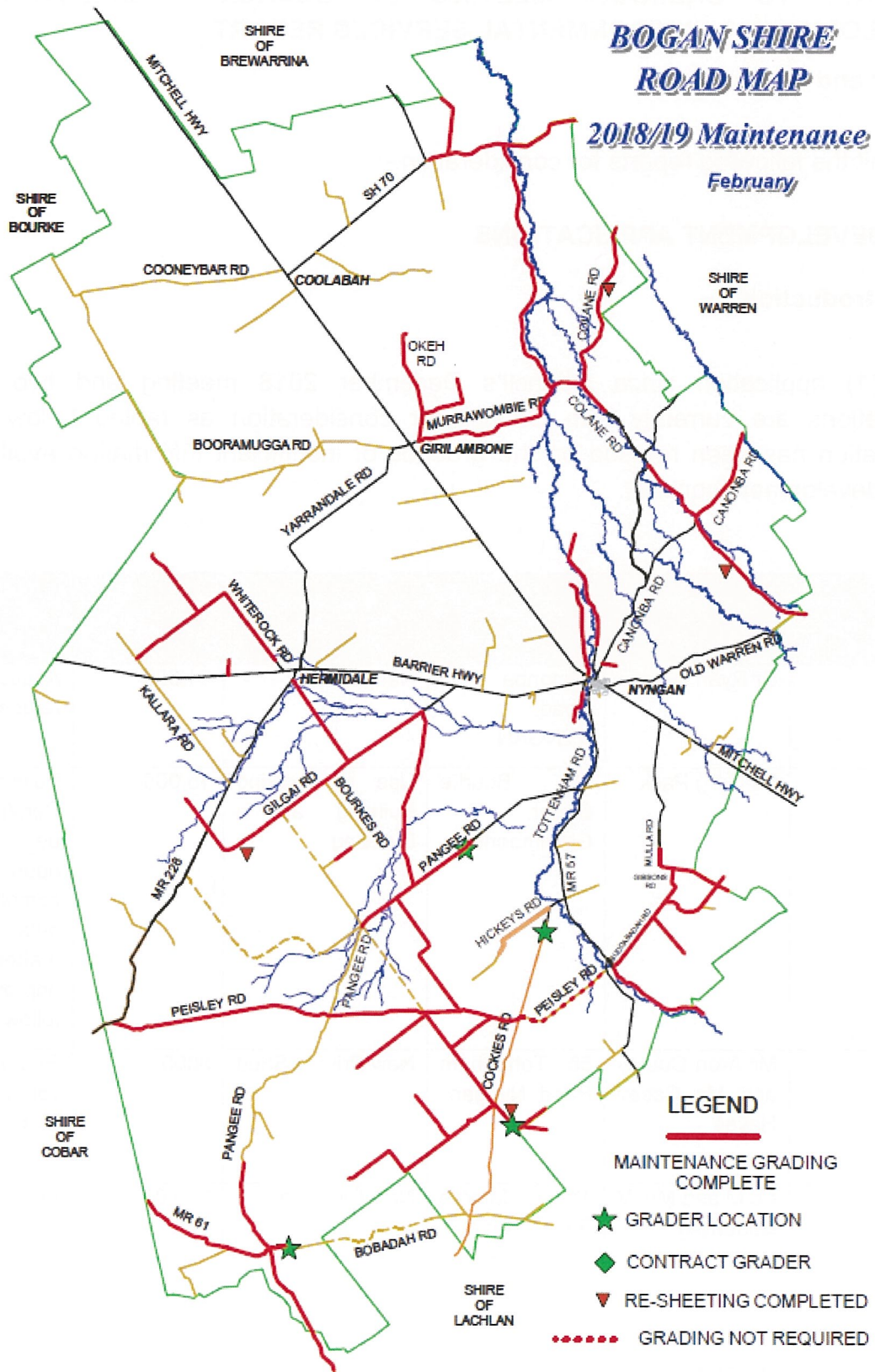


Storage Dam after completion of earthworks



Completed storage dam

Director of Engineering Services' Report to the Ordinary Meeting of
Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



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

One (1) application since Council's December 2018 meeting and two other applications are currently with Council for consideration as tabled below. One Application has been refused on the grounds of insufficient information available to grant development consent.

| DA NUMBER | APPLICANT | ADDRESS | DESCRIPTION | VALUE (\$) | PROGRESS |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------|--|
| 2014/001 | Dr Ryan Heggie | Canonba Road, NYNGAN | Hangar | 64,000 | Application refused |
| 2018/004 | Mr Greg Pack | 22 Bourke Street, Girilambone | Use of Existing Building as a Dwelling | 15,000 | Building Certificate to be issued upon completion of outstanding matters. DA approval to follow. |
| 2018/030 | Mr Aron Couley and Ms Casey Hayes | 56 Tottenham Road, Nyngan | New Private Shed | 8000 | Request for variation to DCP under review |
| 2018/035 | Mr M and Mrs V Upadhyay | 14 Minore Street, Nynagn | New Dwelling | 310,000 | Approved 5 Feb 2019 |

1.2 Recommendation

That the report be received and noted.

2 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

2.2 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to outline the key works undertaken since Council's December 2018 meeting by Council's Parks and Gardens Team.

2.3 Discussion

Key works that have been undertaken by the Parks and Gardens Team consisted of the following:

- Routine maintenance duties including manual watering (where required), whipper snipping, mowing, weed removal in Heritage Park (1 & 2), 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.
- Continuation of creation of new trial garden beds in Pangee Street.

Key works that have been undertaken by the weeds officer consisted of:

- Spraying of general weeds around Nyngan streets and laneways
- Spraying of Tiger Pear located in the flood drain at Number 2 oval
- Spraying of Prickly Pear at Hermidale village
- Maintenance spraying on the shoulder of mulla road in preparation for resealing
- Road side inspections
- Water way inspection at Duck Creek
- Property inspections as required under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*
- Attended Macquarie Valley Weeds Committee meeting
- Attend off target spraying seminar

2.3 Recommendation

That this report be received and noted.

3 RECYCLING CONTAMINATION

Summary:-

The purpose of this report is to make councillors aware of concerns regarding Bogan Shire's recycling contamination rate and to provide recommendations on how to address the issue.

3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to make councillors aware of concerns regarding Bogan Shire's recycling contamination rate and to provide recommendations on how to address the issue.

3.2 Discussion

Council has an agreement with Gilgandra Shire where their Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) accepts all household recycling from Nyngan each fortnight.

Council is also part of Netwaste, which is a voluntary regional waste group formed in 1995 to provide collaborative approaches to waste and resource management. Netwaste is funded primarily through the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

On 8 January 2019, Council's Director of Development and Environmental Services was contacted by ABC Radio (Western Plains) to provide comment on recycling contamination figures published in Orange City Council's Business Paper from their ordinary meeting held 18 September 2018. The figures were extracted from Netwaste's Strategic Recycling Plan, which was also released in September 2018. Please see the relevant extract from Orange City Council's Business Paper below:

Director of Development & Environmental Services' Report to the Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

Table 2.3 Summary of regional dry recycling kerbside collections

| Council | Av. Kerbside Recycling Yield (kg/hh/fortnight) | Av. Contamination In Recycling Collected (% by weight) | Av. Recycling Leakage (% by weight of Recyclables collected) |
|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Bathurst | 6.9 | 8 | 44 |
| Blayney | 8.6 | 6 | N/A |
| Bogan | 3.8 | 35 | N/A |
| Cabonne | 6.9 | N/A | N/A |
| Dubbo | 7.5 | 9 | 39 |
| Forbes | 7.3 | 13 | 53 |
| Gilgandra | 11.3 | 8.6 | N/A |
| Lachlan | 1.7 | 8 | N/A |
| Lithgow | 6 | 12.7 | N/A |
| Mid-Western | 8.6 | 15 | 38 |
| Narromine | 8.5 | 8 | N/A |
| Orange | 8.3 | 6.6 | 20 |
| Parkes | 9.0 | 5.7 | 39 |
| NSW STATE AVERAGE ¹ | 9.8 | N/A | N/A |

SOURCE: NetWaste Councils 2018

SOURCE: EPA Waste and Resource Recovery Data Report (2014-15)

The figures indicated that Bogan Shire’s recycling contamination rate was 35% which effectively means that 35% of all material collected from resident’s “yellow bins” in Nyngan ends up as landfill. Upon further investigation however, it was found that a reporting error had been made by Gilgandra Shire. Gilgandra Shire’s breakdown of recycling vs. landfill (recycling contaminants) is recorded as tonnage and cubic metres respectively. To convert cubic metres to tonnage requires the use of a conversion factor available from the EPA and this factor was not applied prior to publishing the 35% figure. The correct figure is 17.9% once the appropriate conversion factor is applied. Whilst not as extreme as 35% the contamination figure is still the highest in the group and needs to be addressed.

The main contaminants identified by Gilgandra’s MRF in Bogan Shire’s recycling were:

- Green waste
- Needles
- Nappies
- Food scraps
- Plastic bags

**Director of Development & Environmental Services' Report to the
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

As the data in Orange City Council's report is historical, a new report was generated to see how the Shire fared over the 2018 calendar year. The report indicates that over the last twelve months (January 2018 to January 2019), Bogan Shire took 157.7 tonnes of recycling to Gilgandra's MRF and 29.15 tonnes of that ended up as landfill. This equates to a recycling contamination rate of 18.48% and demonstrates that no improvement has occurred in relation to recycling contamination since the figures published in Netwaste's Strategic Recycling Plan from 2014-2015.

On 13 February 2019, Council's Director of Development and Environmental Services and Senior Environmental Officer met with Netwaste's Waste Education Officer to discuss ways to tackle Council's recycling contamination issue.

Netwaste's Waste Education Officer also visited Nyngan's three schools to provide education and receive feedback.

Council's meeting with Netwaste's Officer was very productive and produced numerous ideas for consideration including the use of media releases and participation in recycling competitions. Other options raised included providing residents with a dedicated "recycling tub" for use inside the home as well as a dedicated green waste bin. Capacity exists within the current capital budget for the purchase of green waste bins and it is recommended that these be ordered and distributed as soon as possible.

The concept of recycling tubs will be explored together with education initiatives for further discussion.

Council will continue to work closely with Netwaste to put these ideas into practice in the anticipation of lowering Council's recycling contamination rate over the next twelve (12) months.

A further report will be provided to Council.

3.4 Recommendation

1. That this report be received and noted.
2. That green waste bins be purchased and distributed for collection as part of Councils existing waste service.

4 COMPACTOR AT NYNGAN WASTE FACILITY

Summary:-

The purpose of report is to advise Council of the purchase of a second-hand compactor for the Nyngan Waste Facility and to provide information on a stationary compactor which had previously been mentioned as an alternative to a wheeled machine.

4.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the purchase of a second-hand compactor for the Nyngan Waste Facility and to provide information on a stationary compactor which had previously been mentioned as an alternative to a wheeled machine.

4.2 Discussion

Council's EPA licence for Nyngan Waste Facility requires daily compaction to ensure maximum longevity for each cell. Besides being a condition of the licence, it is in Council's interests to undertake compaction so that waste cells last as long as possible as they are expensive to excavate.

In December 2018, Council's compactor for the Waste Facility broke down. Due to the age of the machine and significant cost to Council without the guarantee of repairs being successful, arrangements were made to hire a machine to ensure compaction was undertaken whilst alternatives were explored.

During the hire period, the owner of the Machine offered to sell it to Council for \$75,000 and waive any hire fees already paid. The General Manager, acting in the best interests of Council, agreed to this purchase, given that the hire fees would in time exceed \$75,000. Council can either retain the machine or sell it if the decision to purchase a new one is made.

The machine would effectively pay for itself in six months by saving hire fees and could then be resold based on Council's decision for replacement.

**Director of Development & Environmental Services' Report to the
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

Capacity to fund the purchase from the plant fund was determined by the General Manager in consultation with the Director Finance and Corporate Services.

The following issues with Council's current compactor were identified prior to the purchase of the machine from National Machinery and Sales:

- The compactor was manufactured in 1992 and was purchased by Council as a second hand machine for \$140,000 in 2004. Council's workshop mechanics are unable to ascertain how many hours the machine has worked as the hour meter is broken. The hours are considered to be substantial given the age of the machine.
- Since 2016 Council has spent approximately \$61,000 on repairs to the compactor. Approximately 4-6 months ago, the diff required replacement at a cost of approximately \$18,000-\$20,000.
- During the compactor's last service, metal shavings were located in the transmission screen. The estimated cost to repair the transmission is \$25,000-\$50,000 according to Quotes from Westrac Dubbo.
- There is a strong possibility that a new motor will be required in the near future, which would take the total repair costs of the compactor since 2016 to \$100,000-\$120,000.

Stationary Compactor (Bailer)

In September 2018, Council's Acting Senior Environmental Services Officer investigated whether a stationary compactor would be an appropriate compaction solution for Nyngan Waste Facility.

Information from this investigation in addition to survey data obtained from several Councils including Moree Plains, Gunnedah, Ballina and Narrabri can be summarised as follows:

Positives:

- 4:1 Compaction rate effectively extends the life of each Cell by 4 fold
- Bailed waste is easy to manage and stack within cells
- No risk of waste being blown off site during high winds

Negatives:

- \$750,000 approximate purchase cost up front


**Director of Development & Environmental Services' Report to the
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

- Additional staff required to operate machine equates to additional cost. Moree Plains require a minimum of 3 staff to operate their baler
- Electricity usage/cost for the waste facility to run is 3 times higher with a bailer on site
- Numerous tonnes of tie wire are required to bale the waste and this wire is charged at a rate of approximately \$3000 per tonne. Moree Plains uses approximately 5 tonnes every 6 months meaning a \$30,000 additional cost per annum
- Waste is required to be manually sorted prior to loading into bailer
- Waste unable to be bailed still needs to be compacted before going to landfill so a separate compactor is still be required
- Servicing and parts for a bailer is estimated to cost up to \$250,000 per year

Stationary bailers appear to be effective in highly populated areas or in the case of Ballina Shire where the risk of airborne debris is an issue (waste facility's proximity to airport).

Moree Plains, prefer a conventional wheeled compactor over a stationary bailer (in hindsight) due to the high operation and service costs of the bailer and the relatively low population base that they service across the shire.

4.3 Recommendation

That this report be received and noted

5 LEASE RENEWAL – COBB AND CO BUILDING AT COUNCIL DEPOT

Summary:-

The purpose this report is to advise Council of the expiration of the lease agreement with the tenants at the Cobb and Co building located at Council's Engineering Depot on the corner of Moonagee and Nymagee Streets, Nyngan.

5.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the expiration of the lease agreement with the tenants at the Cobb and Co building located at Council's Engineering Depot on the corner of Moonagee and Nymagee Streets, Nyngan.

5.2 Discussion

On 16 January 2013, Council entered into a rental lease agreement with Organise Pty Ltd for a period of five (5) years with an option to extend a further one (1) year to occupy the steel framed industrial building and surrounds at the above address. On 15 January 2019 the lease expired (extension inclusive).

As the lease has expired, Council should now re-advertise the lease.

5.3 Recommendation

That the Cobb and Co building located at Council's Engineering Depot on the corner of Moonagee and Nymagee Streets, Nyngan be advertised for tenancy and the General Manager be delegated to authorise any prospective lease agreement as agreed between parties.

Tony Payne
Director Development and Environmental Services

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

1 THE HON NIALL BLAIR MLC MINISTER FOR REGIONAL WATER

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Hon Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Regional Water in response to Council's letter regarding funding opportunities for the construction of a stock and domestic service pipeline from Nyngan Weir Pool to the confluence of the Bogan River and Gunningbar Creek. Council can apply as the proponent for co-funding for a stock and domestic service pipeline to a number of NSW Government programs. Also, Council may be eligible for funding from the Growing Local Economies Fund, which provides funding for "common use" infrastructure that leads to economic growth. The NSW Government's Regional Water Strategy Program is exploring infrastructure and policy options for improving water security for customers and the environment in priority regions of NSW. \$1.2 million in funding has recently been announced for a new re-regulating structure in the mid- Macquarie River near Gin Gin. The Government is considering the merits of supply water via a pipeline to the lower Macquarie area, including to stock and domestic and industry users.

General Manager's Note: The Director of Engineering Services will provide Council with information regarding funding availability.

1.1 Recommendation: That the correspondence received from the Hon Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Regional Water in response to Council's letter regarding funding opportunities for the construction of a stock and domestic service pipeline from Nyngan Weir Pool to the confluence of the Bogan River and Gunningbar Creek be received and noted.

2 THE HON MICHAEL McCORMACK MP

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Hon Michael McCormack, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development advising of Council's funding allocation under the Roads to Recovery Program from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024. In addition to the commitment to maintain Roads to Recovery funding at the current level of \$350 million per annum, the 2016 Budget announced that a further \$50 million per year will be provided ongoing. This brings total funding for the program to \$2 billion over the five years to 2023-24. Council's life of program allocation for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 will be \$3,646,095. Councils will be able to enter projects for the new period of Roads to Recovery funding from 1 July 2019 and the first payment of the new program will be made in August 2019.

2.1 Recommendation: That the correspondence received from the Hon Michael McCormack, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development advising of Council's funding allocation under the Roads to Recovery Program from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 be received and noted.

3 SENATOR THE HON BRIDGET McKENZIE

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie, Minister for Local Government and Decentralisation advising that funding has now been approved under the Drought Communities Program Extension (DCP Extension) to Bogan Shire for the following:

- Nyngan War Memorial Pool Façade and Amenities Refurbishment Project - \$115,000;
- Larkin Oval Canteen Redevelopment Project - \$350,000;
- Revitalising the Wye Pavilion Project - \$30,000; and
- Rejuvenation of Nyngan's Main Street Project - \$150,000.

The Liberal National Government has boosted the DCP Extension by \$81 million and that Bogan Shire will soon be receiving part of the \$1 million to support their community during this severe drought.

3.1 Recommendation: That the copy of correspondence received from Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie, Minister for Local Government and Decentralisation advising that funding has now been approved under the Drought Communities Program Extension (DCP Extension) to Bogan Shire for the following:

- Nyngan War Memorial Pool Façade and Amenities Refurbishment Project - \$115,000;
- Larkin Oval Canteen Redevelopment Project - \$350,000;
- Revitalising the Wye Pavilion Project - \$30,000; and
- Rejuvenation of Nyngan's Main Street Project - \$150,000, be received and noted.

4 SENATOR THE HON BRIDGET MCKENZIE

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie, Minister for Local Government and Decentralisation advising that funding has now been approved under the Drought Communities Program Extension (DCP Extension) to Bogan Shire for the following:

- Water Play Zone for Nyngan Pool project - \$154,000;
- Revitalising Nyngan's Historical Assets project - \$31,000; and
- Renovation of the Coolabah Hall project - \$170,000.

The Liberal National Government has boosted the DCP Extension by \$81 million and that Bogan Shire will soon be receiving part of the \$1 million to support their community during this severe drought.

4.1 Recommendation: That the copy of correspondence received from Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie, Minister for Local Government and Decentralisation advising that funding has now been approved under the Drought Communities Program Extension (DCP Extension) to Bogan Shire for the following:

- Water Play Zone for Nyngan Pool project - \$154,000;
- Revitalising Nyngan's Historical Assets project - \$31,000; and
- Renovation of the Coolabah Hall project - \$170,000.

5 PETER PRIMROSE MLC

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from Peter Primrose MLC, Shadow Minister for Local Government advising of some of the initiatives that NSW Labor will implement to help reduce cost shifting should Labor form Government in March 2019. The initiatives are listed in the correspondence.

5.1 Recommendation: That the copy of correspondence received from Peter Primrose MLC, Shadow Minister for Local Government advising of some of the initiatives that NSW Labor will implement to help reduce cost shifting should Labor form Government in March 2019 be received and noted.

6 THE HON MARK COULTON MP

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Hon Mark Coulton MP Federal Member for Parkes, together with a copy of correspondence forwarded to him from the Minister for Health concerning the Q Fever Vaccine. Mr Coulton advises he has had several discussions with Minister McKenzie regarding this matter. The Health Minister advises that the Q Fever Vaccine is not currently subsidised under the PBS, the Department is subsidising vaccine production and

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

supply to the Australian market through funding provided to the only global manufacturer, Seqirus. A vaccine cannot be subsidised under the PBS or the National Immunisation Program until it is assessed by the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) and meets robust cost-effectiveness criteria. To date, Seqirus has not made a submission to the PBAC. Current funding arrangements will ensure all Australians have access to the Q fever skin test and vaccine until 2024. As there are concerns that the financial impacts of drought may be preventing those at risk from seeking vaccination, along with the dry and dusty condition associated with drought that could increase the risk of contracting the disease the Health Department has forwarded your correspondence to the Joint Agency Drought Taskforce that is being managed by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

6.1 Recommendation: That the correspondence received from the Hon Mark Coulton MP Federal Member for Parkes, together with a copy of correspondence forwarded to him from the Minister for Health concerning the Q Fever Vaccine be received and noted.

7 THE HON MARK COULTON MP

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Hon Mark Coulton MP Federal Member for Parkes, advising council that people are eligible for the \$1,000 vouchers available under the Drought Community Support Initiative, which is funded by the Federal Government and provided through selected non-profit organisations, could consider this as a potential mechanism to assist with the cost of the Q fever vaccine.

7.1 Recommendation: That the correspondence received from the Hon Mark Coulton MP Federal Member for Parkes, received and noted.

8 THE HON MARK COULTON MP

Attached is a copy of correspondence forwarded to The Hon Mark Coulton MP Federal Member for Parkes from the Minister for Local Government, Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie concerning the four Shire Councils that responded to his electorate review whether the National Broadband Network (NBN) infrastructure corresponded with the demography of their Shire Councils, being Narrabri, Brewarrina, Narromine and Bogan. NBN services to premises on the outer fringes of many of the inland rural townships are through satellite because their locations preclude the rollout of a buffering fixed wireless infrastructure. The specific communities of Narrabri, Brewarrina, Narromine and Bogan are typically widely dispersed populations of 1-

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

2000 residents. NBN's initial rollout design was mandated in the Government's Statement of Expectations that required the company to offer NBN services to all homes and businesses by 2020 as cost-effectively as possible. NBN has limited its technology switch options to fixed line alternatives. Included in the correspondence is a list of approximate costings for each technology switch for several communities including the referenced townships. It is suggested that each of the General Managers continue to liaise with NBN Co directly.

8.1 Recommendation: That the copy of correspondence forwarded to The Hon Mark Coulton MP Federal Member for Parkes from the Minister for Local Government, Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie concerning the four Shire Councils that responded to his electorate review whether the National Broadband Network (NBN) infrastructure corresponded with the demography of their Shire Councils, being Narrabri, Brewarrina, Narromine and Bogan be received and noted.

9 THE HON MARK COULTON MP

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Hon Mark Coulton MP, Federal Member for Parkes, together with correspondence forwarded to him from The Hon David Littleproud MP, Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources regarding Farm Household Allowance (FHA). Council is advised income and assets tests are considered the fairest way of determining whose circumstances mean they are unable to support themselves. I am please to advise that off-farm and liquid assets test limit for FHA was already increase to \$387,500 on 1 July 2018. This is in line with regular annual CPI increases and consistent with other Social Security payments, such as Newstart Allowance and Age Pension.

The Australian Government announced an independent review of FHA on 29 August 2018. The review panel has undertaken an extensive consultation with stakeholders and will now consider feedback and prepare a report to the Government for their consideration in the first half of 2019. Significant changes have already been made to the FHA claim form. The Australian Government has provided a \$5 million funding boost to the Rural Financial Counselling Services to ensure farmers applying for FHA can get help. Also attached to the correspondence is FHA Review:-

Terms of Reference;

Guiding Principles;

Scope of the Review; and

Out of Scope.

9.1 Recommendation: That the correspondence received from the Hon Mark Coulton MP, Federal Member for Parkes, together with correspondence forwarded to him from The Hon David Littleproud MP, Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources regarding Farm Household Allowance (FHA) be received and noted.

10 NYNGAN AG EXPO

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Nyngan Ag Expo inviting Council to be a sponsor of the Nyngan Ag Expo being held on 3 August 2019. Sponsor packages available are:

| | |
|------------|----------|
| \$5,000.00 | Platinum |
| \$3,500.00 | Gold |
| \$2,000.00 | Silver |
| \$1,500.00 | Bronze |

General Manager's Note: Council has in previous years considered the request and continues to provide sponsorship in the form of free use of the showground facilities and other Council resources such as tables and chairs.

10.1 Recommendation: That Council as in previous years advise the Nyngan Ag Expo that it continues to provide sponsorship in the form of free use of the showground and waives all costs associated with the setup of the event.

11 OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Attached is a copy of Local Government Circular No 18-46/18 December 2018 concerning the New Councillor Induction and Professional Development Requirements. Key points to note:-

- Councils will need to take immediate steps to develop and deliver a professional development program for the Mayor and each Councillor.
- Councils will need to deliver an induction program for any Councillor elected at a by-election before the next ordinary elections.
- Councils will be required to prepare and deliver an induction program for the Mayor and all Councillors following the next ordinary elections.
- From next year Councils will be required to report on Councillor induction and professional development in their annual reports.

The new requirements under the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 are outlined in an attachment to the Circular.

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

11.1 Recommendation: That the copy of Local Government Circular No 18-46/18 December 2018 concerning the New Councillor Induction and Professional Development Requirements be received and noted.

12 ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF NSW

Attached is a copy of correspondence received from the Electoral Commission NSW concerning the cost estimates for the 2020 Local Government Elections. The NSW Government has announced that the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) is to undertake a review of the costs of conducting Local Government Elections in NSW. The Government has also announced its intention to amend the Local Government Act 1993 to extend the timetable for Councils who wish to enter into agreements with the NSW Electoral Commission to conduct their 2020 ordinary elections. For Councils who have already resolved, or are currently considering resolving to engage the NSWEC, the formal arrangements regarding the conduct of their elections will need to be finalised after the IPART review has been concluded.

Also attached is a copy of Circular 19-02 outlining:-

- What's new or changing;
- What this will mean for your Council;
- Key points; and
- Matter for consideration under the IPART's terms of reference.

As stated in the Circular, Councils now have until 1 January 2020 to resolve to make a decision on the administration of their elections and enter into any arrangements with the NSWEC.

IPART is to submit its final report to the Minister for Local Government by Friday 30 August 2019.

12.1 Recommendation: For Council's Information.

13 NYNGAN SHOW SOCIETY

Attached is correspondence forwarded to the Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre from the Nyngan Show Society seeking sponsorship for the Nyngan Show 2019.

General Manager's Note: Council has in previous years considered the request and continues to provide sponsorship in the form of free use of the showground facilities and other Council resources such as tables and chairs.

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

13.1 Recommendation: That Council as in previous years advise the Nyngan Show Society that it continues to provide sponsorship in the form of free use of the showground and waives all costs associated with the setup of the event.

14 PURCHASE OF WATER FOR SKI WEIR

Attached is correspondence received from Mr Max Jones, Essential Self Storage Nyngan, regarding Councils decision not to purchase water for Ski Weir.

14.1 Recommendation: Received and noted.

15 NYNGAN HARMONY DAY CELEBRATIONS

Attached is correspondence received from Nyngan Public School requesting funding towards Nyngan Harmony Day Celebrations BBQ.

15.1 Recommendation: Received and noted.

16 RAHNI BODANSKI

Attached is correspondence received from Rahni Bodanski thanking Council for Scholarship contribution.

16.1 Recommendation: Received and noted.

17 WEEKLY CIRCULARS

Weekly Circulars dated 14 December 2018, 21 December 2018, 11 January 2019, 18 January 2019, 25 January 2019, 1 February, 2019, 8 February, 2019, and 15 February 2019 have been emailed to Councillors for information.

17.1 Recommendation: That the Local Government Weekly Circulars be noted.

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



The Hon Niall Blair MLC
Minister for Primary Industries
Minister for Regional Water
Minister for Trade and Industry

IM18/30985

Mr Derek Francis
General Manager
Bogan Shire Council
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear Mr Francis

Thank you for your letter of 12 November 2018 regarding funding opportunities for the construction of a stock and domestic service pipeline from Nyngan Weir Pool to the confluence of the Bogan River and Gunningbar Creek. I apologise for the delay in responding.

The Bogan Shire Council can apply as the proponent for co-funding for a stock and domestic service pipeline to a number of NSW Government programs. More information on relevant funding programs can be found online at www.nsw.gov.au/improving-nsw/regional-nsw.

The Bogan Shire Council may be eligible for funding from the Growing Local Economies Fund, which provides funding for "common use" infrastructure that leads to economic growth. To discuss eligibility and other requirements, please contact Mr Benjamin Morgan Business Development Manager at the Department of Premier and Cabinet on ben.morgan@dpc.nsw.gov.au or 6826 7811.

The NSW Government's Regional Water Strategy Program is exploring infrastructure and policy options for improving water security for customers and the environment in priority regions of NSW. In the Macquarie region, the State's bulk water supplier and river operator, WaterNSW, is working closely with the NSW Government to develop a list of viable infrastructure and policy solutions. This work responds to water security risks and opportunities identified in the State Infrastructure Strategy, including low irrigation drought security and opportunities for improved water delivery efficiency.

As a result of this work, I recently announced \$1.2 million in funding for a detailed assessment of a new re-regulating structure in the mid-Macquarie River near Gin Gin. WaterNSW will lead the delivery of this important project.

The NSW Government is also considering the merits of supplying water via a pipeline to the lower Macquarie area, including to stock and domestic and industry users. More information about the NSW Government's Regional Water Strategy Program can be found in the 2018-2038 State Infrastructure Strategy at www.nsw.gov.au/improving-nsw/projects-and-initiatives/nsw-state-infrastructure-strategy and on the NSW Department of Industry website at www.industry.nsw.gov.au/water/plans-programs/water-mgmt-strategies.

.../2

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

-2-

The Hon Niall Blair MLC

If you require additional information or wish to discuss Regional Water Strategies further, please call Mr Darcy Moar, Manager Regional Water Strategies on (02) 9842 8167. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Niall Blair", written over a circular stamp.

31 JAN 2019

**The Hon Niall Blair MLC
Minister for Primary Industries
Minister for Regional Water
Minister for Trade and Industry**

cc The Hon John Barilaro MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW, Minister for Skills and Minister for Small Business

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



The Hon Michael McCormack MP

Deputy Prime Minister
Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and
Regional Development

The Hon Scott Buchholz MP

Assistant Minister for Roads and Transport
Federal Member for Wright

Ref: MS18-002602

Cr Ray Donald OAM
Mayor
Bogan Shire Council
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear Mayor

We are writing to advise you of your Council's funding allocation under the Roads to Recovery Program from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024.

The Australian Government demonstrated its ongoing commitment to this important partnership with local government by removing the sunset clause for the Roads to Recovery program in the *National Land Transport Act 2014*; meaning no new legislation will be required for the continuation of the program.

In addition to our commitment to maintain Roads to Recovery funding at the current level of \$350 million per annum, the 2016 Budget announced that a further \$50 million per year will be provided ongoing. This brings total funding for the program to \$2 billion over the five years to 2023-24.

A total of \$553.01 million has been allocated to New South Wales, which has been divided between the councils in the State on the basis of the 2018-19 recommendations of the Local Government Grants Commission for the roads component of the Financial Assistance Grants. This methodology is consistent with the allocation of Roads to Recovery funding for previous programs.

Your Council's life of program allocation for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 will be \$3,646,095. Councils will be able to enter projects for the new period of Roads to Recovery funding from 1 July 2019 and the first payment of the new program will be made in August 2019.

The program will continue to run under simple administrative arrangements with councils free to decide the projects to be funded. As per the current arrangements, projects funded under Roads to Recovery can be delivered as early as needed in the 5-year program life, subject to councils proactively identifying projects in line with their local priorities. You should contact the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Cities as early as possible in the new financial year should you wish to accelerate your Roads to Recovery spending.

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

The Department will advise you of the formal funding conditions prior to the commencement of the new program life.

This funding will help councils target genuine road investments that will stimulate local employment and help get people home safer and sooner. Consistent with the Roads to Recovery Statement of Expectations launched last year, we would like to urge councils to focus their funding on projects that improve the safety and quality of their local road networks.

The Government is committed to using Federal funding to improve employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians and we ask for this consideration to be applied to projects using Roads to Recovery funding.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind councils to allocate all 2018-19 Roads to Recovery funds to projects. You should also ensure that these projects are sufficiently advanced by the April 2019 quarterly reporting period so that all available 2018-19 funding can be paid out.

We look forward to continuing the successful relationship between the Australian Government and your council over the coming years.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael McCormack".

Michael McCormack

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott Buchholz".

Scott Buchholz

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie

Deputy Leader of The Nationals
Minister for Regional Services
Minister for Sport
Minister for Local Government and Decentralisation
Senator for Victoria

Ref: MS19-000080

Mr Derek Francis
General Manager
Bogan Shire Council
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

21 JAN 2019

Dear Mr Francis

I am pleased to advise that funding has now been approved under the Drought Communities Programme Extension (DCP Extension) to the Bogan Shire Council for the:

- Nyngan War Memorial Pool Facade and Amenities Refurbishment project - \$115,000;
- Larkin Oval Canteen Redevelopment project - \$350,000;
- Revitalising the Wye Pavilion project - \$30,000; and
- Rejuvenation of Nyngan's Main Street project - \$150,000.

I am proud the Liberal National Government has boosted the DCP Extension by \$81 million and that the Bogan Shire Council will soon be receiving part of their \$1 million to support their community during this severe drought event.

If the Bogan Shire Council has existing infrastructure spending provided by the Liberal National Government and would like to consider bringing forward expenditure or changing the schedule of project construction, I welcome, indeed urge, a proposal be provided to the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities for consideration.

For any further information, your Council is welcome to contact Ms Diana Hallam, Executive Director of the Drought Taskforce at the Department, who can be contacted on diana.hallam@infrastructure.gov.au or 02 6274 6460.

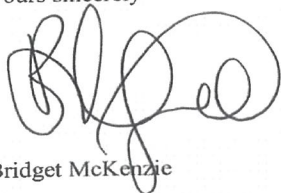
| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL | |
| FILE | R/IN |
| 15/135 | 30 JAN 2019 |
| ASSIGNEE: | |
| Derek Francis | |

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

I have written to the Hon Mark Coulton MP, Assistant Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment and Member for Parkes, advising of the approval for Nyngan War Memorial Pool Facade and Amenities Refurbishment, Larkin Oval Canteen Redevelopment, Revitalising the Wye Pavilion and Rejuvenation of Nyngan's Main Street projects.

I look forward to working with you on these projects.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bridget McKenzie", with a large, circular flourish at the end.

Bridget McKenzie

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie

Deputy Leader of The Nationals
Minister for Regional Services
Minister for Sport
Minister for Local Government and Decentralisation
Senator for Victoria

Ref: MS19-000094

Mr Derek Francis
General Manager
Bogan Shire Council
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

31 JAN 2019

Dear Mr Francis

I am pleased to advise that funding has now been approved under the Drought Communities Programme Extension (DCP Extension) to the Bogan Shire Council for the:

- Water Play Zone for Nyngan Pool project - \$154,000;
- Revitalising Nyngan's Historical Assets project - \$31,000; and
- Renovation of the Coolabah Hall project - \$170,000.

I am proud the Liberal National Government has boosted the DCP Extension to \$81 million and that the Bogan Shire Council will soon be receiving all of their \$1 million to support their community during this severe drought event.

If the Bogan Shire Council has existing infrastructure spending provided by the Liberal National Government and would like to consider bringing forward expenditure or changing the schedule of project construction, I welcome, indeed urge, a proposal be provided to the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities for consideration.

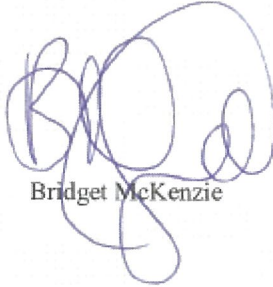
For any further information, your Council is welcome to contact Ms Diana Hallam, Executive Director of the Drought Taskforce at the Department, who can be contacted on diana.hallam@infrastructure.gov.au or 02 6274 6460.

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

I have written to the Hon Mark Coulton MP, Assistant Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment and Member for Parkes, advising of the approval for Water Play Zone for Nyngan Pool, Revitalising Nyngan's Historical Assets and Renovation of the Coolabah Hall projects.

I look forward to working with you on these projects.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bridget McKenzie", is written over the typed name. The signature is highly stylized and cursive.

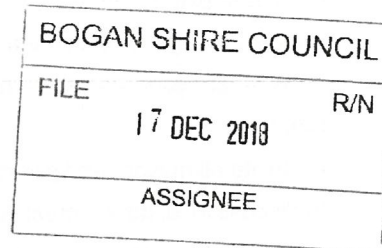
Bridget McKenzie

| | | |
|---------------------|------------|-----|
| BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL | | |
| FILE | 8 FEB 2019 | R/N |
| FIL15/135 | | |
| ASSIGNEE | | |
| Derek Francis | | |

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



PETER PRIMROSE MLC
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL



Clr Ray Donald
Mayor
Bogan Shire Council
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear Clr Donald,

Ray

The State Government is always blaming local government for something. Councils are routinely told they have to be more 'efficient', while the state government is wasting \$2.2 billion on stadiums in Sydney. Yet Local Government NSW estimates that unfunded cost shifting from the state onto local government is now running at over \$820 million every year.

I am writing to let your know of some of the initiatives that NSW Labor will implement to help reduce this cost shifting should we form government next March. A Daley Labor Government will:

- Promote budget transparency by publishing a separate local government budget paper as part of the NSW Budget Papers.
- Update the formula used by the NSW Local Government Grants Commission to allocate the general purpose and local roads components of Financial Assistance Grants, to ensure it prioritises councils with the greatest needs - particularly those in rural and regional areas disadvantaged by the current formula. NSW Labor will work to seek to ensure prolonged drought is factored in as a funding consideration.

Parliament House
Macquarie Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 Australia
Phone: (02) 9230 2686 Fax: (02) 9230 3498
peter.primrose@parliament.nsw.gov.au

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

- Implement a state-wide road classification review to ensure that councils across NSW get their fair share of road funding, particularly in rural and regional NSW where councils have a higher infrastructure investment backlog and a lower rate base.
- Invite all mayors and general managers to attend a summit in regional NSW to discuss local government financing. This is the major issue facing the sector, and will not be solved by tinkering with council boundaries.
- Actively support a 'yes' vote in any federal constitutional referendum held to recognise local government in the Australian Constitution.
- Establish a Main Streets Revitalisation Fund to assist councils in rural and regional areas to help revitalise their country main streets. NSW Labor recognises that when the main street prospers, so does the town. This is part of Labor's Regional Jobs Fund.
- Double the current per capita grant to local councils for local libraries in its first term, and for the first time link it to the CPI. NSW Labor will also allocate an additional \$25 million for library infrastructure, and provide an extra \$10.5 million over its first term for councils with communities who have special needs.

Should you have any questions on these or any other matters, as always please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter Primrose". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Peter Primrose MLC
Shadow Minister for Local Government and Communities
Shadow Minister for Regional Roads

13 December 2018

PS I would like to also take this opportunity to wish you, your family, and the council all the best for the holiday season.

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



The Hon Mark Coulton MP

Federal Member for Parkes

Ref: bf/mc

19 December 2018

The General Manager
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL | |
| FILE | 100 |
| 01 JAN 2019 | |
| ASSIGNEE | |

Dear Derek

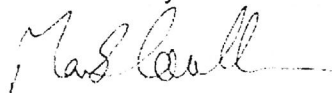
Further to my prior correspondence concerning the vaccine for Q Fever, I have received the enclosed response from the Minister for Health.

I hope you find the Minister's response informative, as I did, particularly with regard to the support already being provided by the Australian Government to ensure the vaccine is produced when it is not commercially viable to do so.

Notwithstanding this, I will continue the discussions I've been having with my colleagues in order to ensure every possible opportunity to make the vaccine more affordable for our farming communities is considered.

In addition to the representations I made to Ministers Hunt and Littleproud, I have had several discussions with Minister McKenzie regarding this matter. I anticipate we will receive further advice from Minister McKenzie, and a response from Minister Littleproud, early in the New Year at which point I will make contact with you again.

Yours sincerely



Mark Coulton

Email mark.coulton.mp@aph.gov.au

Website www.markcoulton.com.au

Dubbo
Suite 3, 153 Brisbane Street
Dubbo NSW 2830
ph 02 6882 0999

Moree
69 Heber Street
Moree NSW 2400
ph 02 6751 1251

Broken Hill
275 Argent Street
Broken Hill NSW 2880
ph 08 8087 7649

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



The Hon Mark Coulton MP

Federal Member for Parkes

bl/mc

10 February 2019

The General Manager
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL | |
| FILE | R/N |
| 18 FEB 2019 | |
| ASSIGNEE | |

Dear Derek

Further to my prior correspondence concerning the vaccine for Q fever, I have received further advice from the offices of Minister McKenzie and Minister Littleproud.

Both Ministers encouraged me to follow the matter up with Major General Stephen Day, the Coordinator-General for Drought.

Major General Day's office advised that people who are eligible for the \$1,000 vouchers available under the Drought Community Support Initiative, which is funded by the Federal Government and provided through selected non-profit organisations, could consider this as a potential mechanism to assist with the cost of the Q fever vaccine.

The three non-profit organisations are delivering the vouchers in the following ways:

- a. Rotary is using Cards4all, a gift card system that restricts spending to local businesses
- b. St Vincent de Paul is asking recipients to provide bills from local businesses that they can pay on the recipients' behalf
- c. The Salvation Army is using EFTPOS cards that cannot be used online or to withdraw cash, encouraging local spending

As such, all three methods could be used to pay for the vaccinations; a farmer could pay the vaccination bill themselves using the EFTPOS card from the Salvation Army or a person could go and get their Q fever vaccination and then take their bill to St Vincent de Paul for payment. They wouldn't need to get a 'paper' voucher from the provider. Rotary would, however, need to sign up the Q Fever provider to their Cards4all system.

Email mark.coulton.mp@aph.gov.au

Website www.markcoulton.com.au

Dubbo
Suite 3, 153 Brisbane Street
Dubbo NSW 2830
ph 02 6882 0990

Moree
69 Haber Street
Moree NSW 2400
ph 02 6751 1251

Broken Hill
275 Argent Street
Broken Hill NSW 2880
ph 08 8087 7649

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogon Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



The Hon Mark Coulton MP

Federal Member for Parkes

I must stress however, that these programs are only available to eligible people. Individuals must contact the relevant non-profit organisation to confirm eligibility for the Initiative prior to incurring the expense.

I have enclosed a Drought Assistance Information Pack for your reference. On page 2 you will find the details of the Drought Community Support Initiative.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Coulton'.

Mark Coulton

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



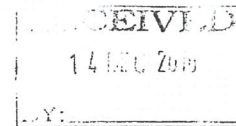
The Hon Greg Hunt MP
Minister for Health

Ref No: MC18-024964

6 DEC 2018

The Hon Mark Coulton MP
Assistant Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment
Federal Member for Parkes
Shop 3, 153 Brisbane Street
DUBBO NSW 2830

Dear Assistant Minister



I refer to your letter of 5 November 2018 on behalf of your constituent Mr Derek Francis, General Manager of Bogan Shire Council, concerning costs of Q fever vaccination.

Q fever is a potentially serious disease and vaccination remains the best form of protection. The Q fever vaccination process is more complicated than most other vaccines in that two doctor visits are required. The first is to have a skin test to determine whether or not the patient has had previous exposure to the disease or has been previously vaccinated. This very important step is required to avoid potentially severe adverse effects of vaccination.

If a patient has been previously exposed and is then vaccinated, severe adverse effects can arise. Once the results of the skin test confirm no previous exposure, then a second doctor visit is required for the actual vaccination. Whilst it is acknowledged that this two-step process and the associated costs can be a deterrent to vaccination, particularly for those who have to travel long distances to visit their doctor, there is unfortunately no alternative vaccine technology at this time.

A vaccine cannot be subsidised under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) or the National Immunisation Program until it is assessed by the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) and meets robust cost-effectiveness criteria. To date, Seqirus has not made a submission to the PBAC.

While the Q fever vaccine is not currently subsidised under the PBS, my Department is subsidising vaccine production and supply to the Australian market through funding provided to the only global manufacturer, Seqirus.

Current funding arrangements will ensure all Australians have access to the Q fever skin test and vaccine until 2024. Without this government support, Seqirus would no longer produce the Q fever skin test and vaccine as they are not commercially viable products due to the low numbers of vaccine purchased on an annual basis.

My Department takes Q fever disease seriously with the incidence and prevalence of Q fever closely monitored at the state/territory and national levels. Q fever is a nationally notifiable disease as part of Australia's National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System. In relation to drought-related 'spikes' in disease, this year to 13 November 2018, national notifications of



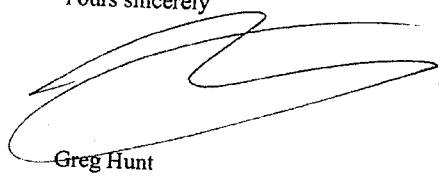
Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogán Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

Q fever by month have been within the expected range, based on data from the previous five years.

As there are concerns that the financial impacts of drought may be preventing those at risk from seeking vaccination, along with the dry and dusty conditions associated with drought that could increase the risk of contracting the disease, my Department has forwarded your correspondence to the Joint Agency Drought Taskforce that is being managed by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely



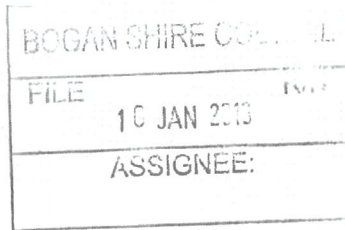
Greg Hunt

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



The Hon Mark Coultou MP
Federal Member for Parkes

With Compliments



Email mark.coultou.mp@aph.gov.au

Website www.markcoultou.com.au

Dubbo
Suite 3, 153 Brisbane Street
Dubbo NSW 2830
ph 02 6882 0999

Moree
69 Heber Street
Moree NSW 2400
ph 02 6751 1251

Broken Hill
275 Argent Street
Broken Hill NSW 2880
ph 08 8087 7649

Member for Parkes
Shop 3, 153 Brisbane Street
DUBBO NSW 2830

RECEIVED
15 JAN 2019

Dear Assistant Minister *Mark*

BY:

Thank you for your representation of 24 October 2018 on behalf of the general managers of the four Shire Councils that responded to your electorate review asking whether their designated National Broadband Network (NBN) infrastructure corresponded with their Shires' current demography, urban expansion and commercial developments. I apologise for the delay in responding.

The electorate of Parkes is large and unique, covering almost 50 per cent of the New South Wales state. Accordingly, NBN services to premises on the outer fringes of many of the inland rural townships are through satellite because their locations preclude the rollout of a 'buffering' fixed wireless infrastructure.

The specific communities of Narrabri, Brewarrina, Narromine and Bogan are typically widely dispersed populations of 1-2000 residents. NBN Co Limited's (NBN Co's) initial rollout design was mandated in the Government's Statement of Expectations that required the company to offer NBN services to all homes and businesses by 2020 as cost-effectively as possible. At the time, the community boundaries were determined by the existing fixed line infrastructure, and there was no indication of future local urban or commercial planning.

In order to get some idea of the potential costs involved, my office approached NBN Co asking for estimates for the various technology switches, with particular focus on those industrial areas wanting to change their designated satellite service. A high-level assessment was provided on 30 October 2018 to both my office and to Ms Erica Tudor at your electorate office. NBN Co advised that it has been working with the NSW State Government over the past year on potential opportunities for technology upgrades, either through local, State, or Commonwealth co-contributions, and for top-up funding by local government.

The table below lists the approximate costings for each technology switch for several communities, including the referenced townships, and is based on the number of homes and businesses that would be covered.

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

| Town | Cost | Number of premises |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Baradine | \$2.4 m | 445 |
| Brewarrina | \$2.1m | 489 |
| Collarenebri | \$13.2m | 340 |
| Gulargambone | \$8m | 303 |
| Mungindi | \$12.8m | 461 |
| Tottenham | \$8.9m | 314 |
| Wilcannia | \$2.1m | 448 |
| Industrial estates | Cost | Number of premises |
| Coonabarabran | \$239,000 | 22 |
| Moree surrounds | \$25m | 584 |
| Narromine | \$277,000 | 510 |

Because of the constraints and capex costs of fixed wireless, NBN Co has limited its technology switch options to fixed line alternatives. All costings are high-level estimates. Higher costs may accrue in some localities due to higher backhaul and transit costs, or because of the more dispersed layout of premises.

It must be appreciated that NBN Co always endeavours to develop coordinated approaches to delivering broadband upgrades to regional communities, but it still has to do so within budget.

Over the past year, NBN Co has been conducting a review of the 'Technology Choice' program following feedback from individual applicants. As a result, NBN Co is moving to introduce the 'Group Premises Switch' (GPS) as a formal product in the 'Technology Choice' program in the coming months. To this point, it has been developed as part of the 'Individual Premises Switch' program. NBN Co intends to offer the lead applicant in a GPS application more support when lodging their application, and to make the GPS program more streamlined to their needs and improve the application experience.

Accordingly, I suggest that each of the general managers continue to liaise with NBN Co directly through technologychoice@nbnc.com.au or liaise with their NBN Co 'Local Team' representative. For NSW this is Ms Amber Dornbusch, who can be contacted at 0419 924 459.

Finally, the NBN is not a 'set and forget' network. For example, NBN Co recently announced it is consulting with industry on a new product called Sky Muster Plus that is expected to be released in 2019. The product will enable consumers to access unmetered data for web browsing, email and software updates on their computers and phones. NBN Co is also expecting to launch business-grade services in 2019. Regardless of the technology, the NBN will enable all Australians to participate in the digital economy, and to enjoy the benefits to productivity and quality-of-life made available by improving connectivity.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me on this issue.

Yours sincerely



Bridget McKenzie

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

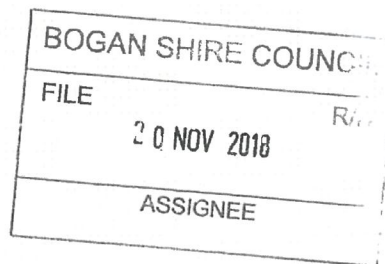


Ref.at/mc

The Hon Mark Coulton MP
Federal Member for Parkes

16 November 2018

Clr Ray Donald
Mayor
Bogan Shire Council
PO Box 221
NYNGAN NSW 2825



Dear Ray

Thank you for your briefing note for our meeting on 13 November 2018 regarding the Farm Household Allowance (FHA).

I have made a representation on your behalf to the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, David Littleproud, and I will contact you when I receive a response.

Furthermore, I would like to update you that at the recent FHA Public Consultation in Dubbo on 15 November, the matters you have raised were among the concerns shared by those in attendance, which were heard and noted by the independent review panel.

Yours sincerely



Mark Coulton

Email mark.coulton.mp@aph.gov.au

Website www.markcoulton.com.au

Dubbo
Suite 3, 153 Brisbane Street
Dubbo NSW 2830
ph 02 6882 0999

Moree
69 Heber Street
Moree NSW 2400
ph 02 6751 1251

Broken Hill
275 Argent Street
Broken Hill NSW 2880
ph 08 8087 7649

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



The Hon. David Littleproud MP

Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources
Federal Member for Maranoa

Ref: MC18-036128

The Hon. Mark Coulton MP
Assistant Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment
Member for Parkes
Shop 3, 153 Brisbane Street
DUBBO NSW 2830

| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL | |
| FILE | R/N |
| 00 JAN 2019 | |
| ASSIGNEE: | |

18 DEC 2018

Dear Assistant Minister 

Thank you for your representation of 16 November 2018 on behalf of Councillor Ray Donald, Mayor of Bogan Shire Council, regarding the Farm Household Allowance (FHA).

I appreciate the time taken by Councillor Donald to raise his concerns and recommendations surrounding the FHA. I know farmers are doing it tough right now and I am passionate about ensuring our farmers have the right tools to manage their business during these difficult times.

Income and assets tests are considered the fairest way of determining whose circumstances mean they are unable to support themselves. I am pleased to advise Cr Donald that the off-farm and liquid assets test limit for FHA was already increased to \$387,500 on 1 July 2018. This is in line with regular annual Consumer Price Index increases and consistent with other social security payments, such as Newstart Allowance and Age Pension. I should also highlight that the government made a substantial change to the off-farm and liquid assets test when it was increased from \$286,500 to close to its current level in 2016.

Regarding Cr Donald's other concerns, the Australian Government announced an independent review of FHA on 29 August 2018. The review panel has undertaken an extensive consultation with stakeholders and will now consider feedback and prepare a report to the government for their consideration in the first half of 2019. The panel, through their consultations, are well aware of the concerns Cr Donald has raised. More information is available on the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources website at agriculture.gov.au/fha-review.

It is important to note, significant changes to the FHA claim form have already been implemented. The form has been simplified by cutting the number of questions from 110 to 73 and by grouping critical eligibility questions together at the front, reducing the likelihood of a farmer taking time to complete some of the form before realising they are not eligible.

To help people with their FHA applications and obligations, the Australian Government has provided a \$5 million funding boost to the Rural Financial Counselling Service (RFCS) to ensure farmers applying for FHA can get help, and access to other support measures available to them. Rural financial counsellors can help farmers complete their application for FHA, through a free service that eases the paperwork burden.

For more information on the RFCS visit agriculture.gov.au/rfcs or call your local RFCS provider, New South Wales Central, on 1800 940 404.

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

I have enclosed the FHA Review Terms of Reference for Cr Donald's noting.

Thank you for bringing Cr Donald's concerns to my attention. I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



DAVID LITTLEPROUD MP

Enc.

FHA Review - Terms of Reference

The Farm Household Allowance (FHA) is the Commonwealth Government's income support payment that supports farmers and their partners experiencing financial hardship, regardless of the source of that hardship. The program provides eligible farmers with up to four cumulative years of support along with assistance through planning and training for long-term financial improvements. On 19 June 2018, the Government announced access to the payment would be extended from three to four years, with new settings to begin from 1 August 2018. Then, on 5 August 2018, the Government announced an increase to the assets test eligibility threshold from \$2.6 million to \$5.0 million as well as two special supplementary lump sum payments in recognition of the severity of the current drought.

The FHA originally commenced on 1 July 2014 and formed part of the Commonwealth's contribution to the 2013 Intergovernmental Agreement on National Drought Program Reform. As it has now been in operation for over four years, the Australian Government has decided it is timely to review whether the current settings of the program:

- are effective and efficient in meeting the original objectives to provide assistance while assisting farmers to improve long-term financial circumstances,
- remain fit for purpose; and
- contribute to an enduring approach to income support for farmers in hardship, including drought.

The Review will occur in the second half of 2018 and make recommendations to Government in the first half of 2019.

The Review will be conducted by an expert panel in consultation with stakeholders. The committee will conduct a public submission process to ensure all interested stakeholders are given the opportunity to participate. The panel would then provide its findings, deliberations and recommendations in a report for Government consideration.

Guiding principles

Providing recommendations to government on an enduring approach to income support for farmers in hardship, including drought. Recommendations should be in line with the policy framework of the current Intergovernmental Agreement on National Drought Program Reform or its replacement.

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

Scope of the review

The review will:

- Examine barriers to take up.
- Examine the current time limit in the context of the 2009 Productivity Commission Inquiry into Drought Support recommendation that income support payment to farmers be limited to a maximum claim per farm household for three years out of every seven in order to avoid long term welfare dependency.
- Assess whether current reciprocal arrangements are effective in assisting farmers to improve long-term financial circumstances.
- Assess whether it has been effective, and whether it is appropriate, to have one program with the dual objectives of both providing support and assisting structural change.
- Assess the efficacy of recipients' ability to come on and off payment, noting it was a key policy setting in establishing the program, including looking into how it is being utilised, whether it is achieving its intended outcomes and/or possible alternative models for implementation.
- Assessing the suitability and effectiveness of current policy settings including:
 - the current income eligibility tests;
 - the current assets eligibility tests;
 - Farm Financial Assessments;
 - Financial Improvement Agreements; and
 - activity supplement.
- Assessing the suitability and effectiveness of current delivery settings including:
 - the delivery model including the role of Farm Household Case Officers;
 - the application process;
 - involvement by the Rural Financial Counselling Service; and
 - statutory timeframes for the provision of documentation.

Out of scope

The following will be out of scope for the review:

- Significant increases to Commonwealth expenditure
- Removing income support to farmers
- Removing means testing
- Making assistance ongoing
- Reinstatement of drought or exceptional circumstance declarations



NynganAgExpo
Inform Educate Promote

Become a Sponsor/Event Partner



2019 Nyngan Ag Expo
Saturday 3rd August 2019

The Nyngan Ag Expo Committee is delighted to announce and welcome Three Rivers Machinery and Case IH as our "Naming Rights" sponsor for 2019 and through to 2023.

Each year, the 2019 Three Rivers Case IH Nyngan Ag expo receives generous support from a range of corporate sponsors and is a major source of revenue for the volunteer committee to coordinate one of the most successful events held in the western area of NSW. We are delighted to have the Land Newspaper join us again as our media partner – they will produce 40,000 copies of the programme booklet to be inserted into The Land prior to Ag Expo.

We thank all our past sponsors for their support and community spirit. Your involvement has made a huge difference to the community groups and associations the Nyngan Ag Expo Committee financially supports, and we invite you to again support our event in 2019.

This is an important opportunity for you to align your business with our event. By taking up one of our sponsorships/Event Partnerships, you will maximise your visibility with the thousands of visitors expected at this important rural and regional farming region and in return we will promote your company/organisation within our comprehensive regional advertising and promotional campaign.

In 2018 some 4000 people attended this 1-day event and in excess of 380 companies and organisation were represented. This combined with a strong advertising and promotional program put together by the committee, creates the ideal opportunity for your company to

A: PO Box 115, Nyngan NSW 2825
ABN: 81 630 195 659

T: 02 6832 1238
M: 0428 376 068
F: 02 6832 2539

E: nynganagexpo@bigpond.com
W: www.nynganagexpo.com.au

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



showcase the best in Australian farming, from services to the farming community, animal health and husbandry, farm machinery, tools and equipment or services that make provisions for those looking for lifestyle changes.

With our commitment to *"inform, educate and promote"* we encourage any new and innovative products that will assist in making the day to day living of both the farmer and the community at large an easier lifestyle.

The 2019 Three Rivers Case IH Nyngan Ag Expo will celebrate 27 years as an event for the community beginning with 4 exhibitors in 1992; the growth rate particularly in the past 10 years has been exceptional, growing from 70 exhibitors in 2008 to in excess of 380 in 2018.

All funds raised by our dedicated volunteer committee are distributed back into community groups of the Bogan Shire, the ongoing success of our event and the further development of the "Max Tremain – Nyngan Country Education Foundation Scholarships".

The organising committee is asking for your commitment for sponsorship to be received no later than the 1st February 2019 to allow us to commence our advertising and promotional program.

Upon your commitment you will immediately be added to our website, advertising and promotional program which ensures, in excess of 12 months promotion for your company

I have enclosed the benefits available to our sponsors for your consideration, should you have any further queries please contact me on 0428 376 068.

Yours Sincerely

Robyn Harris
Administrator/Event Organiser

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Circular Details | Circular No 18-46 / 18 December 2018 / A621298 |
| Previous Circular | <i>18-25 Status of the new Councillor Induction and Professional Development Guidelines</i> |
| Who should read this | Mayors / Councillors / General Managers / Council governance staff |
| Contact | Council Governance Team/ 02 4428 4100/ olg@olg.nsw.gov.au |
| Action required | Council to implement |

New Councillor Induction and Professional Development Requirements

What's new or changing

- Amendments made to the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) by the *Local Government Amendment (Governance and Planning) Act 2016* in August 2016 saw the inclusion in the prescribed role of councillors under section 232 a responsibility "to make all reasonable efforts to acquire and maintain the skills necessary to perform the role of a councillor".
- In support of this, regulations have been made for induction and other professional development for mayors and councillors. The new requirements under the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* are outlined in the attachment to this circular. These requirements do not apply to joint organisations.
- The Office of Local Government (OLG) has prepared guidelines to assist councils to develop and deliver induction and ongoing professional development activities for their mayor and councillors in compliance with the proposed regulations. The Guidelines have been issued under section 23A of the Act.

What this will mean for your council

- Councils' induction and professional development programs are to consist of three elements:
 - *Pre-election candidate sessions* – these are to ensure prospective candidates are aware of what will be expected of them if elected (these are not mandatory but are encouraged)
 - *Induction program* – this aims to equip mayors and councillors with the information they need to perform their role effectively over the first few months and has a particular focus on building positive, collaborative relationships between councillors and with staff
 - *Professional development program* – this is to be developed in consultation with all councillors and delivered over the term of the council to build the skills, knowledge and personal attributes necessary to be an effective mayor or councillor.
- Councils will be required to report information in their annual reports on the induction and ongoing professional development activities offered to the mayor and each councillor. The reporting requirements are set out in the attachment to this circular.

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

Key points

- Councils will need to take immediate steps to develop and deliver a professional development program for the mayor and each councillor.
- Councils will need to deliver an induction program for any councillor elected at a by-election before the next ordinary elections.
- Councils will be required to prepare and deliver an induction program for the mayor and all councillors following the next ordinary elections.
- From next year, councils will be required to report on councillor induction and professional development in their annual reports.

Where to go for further information

- The Councillor Induction and Professional Development Guidelines are available on OLG's website at www.olg.nsw.gov.au.
- For further information, contact OLG's Council Governance Team on (02) 4428 4100.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Hurst", is written over a faint, circular watermark.

**Tim Hurst
Chief Executive**

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

3
Attachment

**The new councillor induction and professional development requirements
under the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005***

- The general manager is to ensure an induction program is delivered for newly elected and returning councillors and a specialised supplementary induction program for the mayor within six months of their election.
 - The general manager is to ensure an ongoing professional development program is delivered for the mayor and each councillor over the term of the council for the purposes of assisting them to acquire and maintain the skills necessary to perform their role.
 - The content of the ongoing professional development program to be delivered to the mayor and councillors is to be determined in consultation with the mayor and each councillor and is to have regard to the specific skills required by the mayor, each individual councillor and the governing body as a whole to perform their roles.
 - Mayors and councillors must make all reasonable efforts to participate in the activities offered to them as part of an induction or ongoing professional development program.
 - Councils are to publish the following information in their annual reports:
 - the name of the mayor and each individual councillor that completed council's induction program (where an induction program has been delivered during the relevant year)
 - the name of the mayor and each councillor who participated in any ongoing professional development program during the year
 - the number of training and other activities provided to the mayor and councillors during the year as part of a professional development program, and
 - the total cost of induction and professional development activities and any other training provided to the mayor and councillors during the relevant year.
 - The above requirements do not apply to joint organisations.
-

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019



11 February 2019

Dear General Manager

Cost estimates for the 2020 Local Government Elections

As you may be aware, the NSW Government has announced that the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) is to undertake a review of the costs of conducting local government elections in NSW.

The Government has also announced its intention to amend the *Local Government Act 1993* to extend the timetable for councils who wish to enter into agreements with the NSW Electoral Commission (NSWEC) to conduct their 2020 ordinary elections.

More information about this announcement is contained in the Office of Local Government's Circular to Councils No. 19-02 dated 8 February 2019.

In light of these developments, the NSWEC will not be providing cost estimates to councils for the 2020 ordinary elections at this time.

It would not be practical for the NSWEC to estimate its costs to councils without first having regard to the findings of the IPART review and the Government's response. Similarly, I understand that councils will wish to consider the IPART findings and the Government's response to those findings, before making a final decision to engage the NSWEC.

For those councils who have already resolved, or are currently considering resolving to engage the NSWEC, the formal arrangements regarding the conduct of their elections will need to be finalised after the IPART review has concluded.

Should you wish to discuss this matter please contact Mr Steve Robb, Director Customer Service & Relationship Management NSW Electoral Commission on (02) 9290 5431 or Steve.Robb@elections.nsw.gov.au

Kind Regards



John Schmidt
Electoral Commissioner



| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Circular Details | 19-02 / 8 February 2019 / A635365 |
| Previous Circular | 18-43 <i>Council decisions on the administration of the September 2020 elections</i> |
| Who should read this | Councillors / General Managers / Council Governance Staff |
| Contact | Council Governance Team / 02 4428 4100 / olg@olg.nsw.gov.au |
| Action required | Information |

IPART review of the costs of conducting local government elections and extension of the deadline for councils to make a decision on the administration of their elections

What's new or changing?

- The Government has approved a review by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) of the costs of conducting local government elections in NSW. The matters for consideration under the review's terms of reference are provided in the attachment to this circular.
- The purpose of IPART's review is to ensure a robust methodology for determining costs is applied, in order to minimise the financial burden on councils and ratepayers and to ensure local government elections are conducted efficiently and cost effectively.
- IPART has been requested to report to the Minister for Local Government recommending a costing methodology to be applied in determining the amount the NSW Electoral Commissioner (NSWEC) charges councils to administer their ordinary elections.
- In undertaking its review, IPART is expected to consult with relevant stakeholders including councils.
- IPART is to report to the Minister for Local Government by **30 August 2019**.
- As the outcomes of the IPART review may impact on the administration of the September 2020 council elections, it is proposed to introduce legislation in the first parliamentary sitting period of 2019 following the NSW State Election to amend the *Local Government Act 1993* (the LGA) to extend the deadline for councils to make a decision on the administration of their elections under sections 296AA and 296. This deadline will be extended to **1 January 2020**.

What this will mean for your council

- Under the proposed amendments, councils will have until **1 January 2020** to resolve to make a decision on the administration of their elections and enter into any arrangements with the NSWEC.

Key points

- Under section 296AA of the LGA, councils must, at least 18 months before each ordinary council election, resolve to either enter into an election arrangement with the NSWEC to administer its elections or that elections are to be administered by the council's general manager.

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

- Under section 296(3)(b), where a council enters into an election arrangement with the NSWEC, the arrangement must be entered into no later than 15 months before the ordinary council elections.
- Under section 296(5), councils can enter into an election arrangement for the NSWEC to administer an ordinary council election less than 15 months before the election if the council has resolved to enter into the election arrangement and the NSWEC is satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances that make it necessary or desirable for the election to be administered by the NSWEC.

Where to go for further information

- Contact OLG's Council Governance Team by telephone on 02 4428 4100 or by email at olg@olg.nsw.gov.au
- Contact the NSW Electoral Commission by telephone on 02 9290 5999.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Hurst", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

**Tim Hurst
Chief Executive**

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

3
Attachment

Matters for consideration under IPART's terms of reference

Matters for consideration

IPART is requested to provide a report to the Minister for Local Government recommending a costing methodology to be applied in determining the amount the NSWEC charges councils which use the NSWEC to administer their ordinary elections.

The purpose of the IPART's review is to ensure a robust methodology for determining costs is applied, in order to minimise the financial burden on councils and ratepayers and ensure local government elections are conducted efficiently and cost effectively.

In undertaking the review, IPART is to:

- review the NSWEC's existing methodology for determining the amount to be charged to councils which use the NSWEC to conduct their elections
- consider whether it is appropriate for the amount charged to be limited to the direct and unavoidable costs of conducting the council's election
- have regard to the market for electoral services in which the NSWEC operates
- have regard to any differences in the costs involved in conducting elections in metropolitan and regional areas
- have regard to any other matters it considers relevant.

Consultation

IPART should consult with relevant stakeholders and NSW Government agencies as part of its review. It may also hold public hearings and publicly release a draft report.

Reporting

IPART is to submit its final report to the Minister for Local Government by Friday 30 August 2019.

Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

President: Mr Chris Elder
Treasurer: Miss Emily Pitt
ABN: 23 533 966 730



Secretary: Ms Kathy Korn
Telephone: 0439749814
Address: P O Box 163
NYNGAN NSW 2825

10th February 2019

Bogan Shire Early Learning Centre
The Manager
32 Dandaloo Street
NYNGAN NSW 2825

Dear Manager,

On behalf of the Nyngan Show Society I would like to ask you to consider becoming a sponsor of our annual Show. This year will mark the 126th anniversary of the Nyngan Show, which has become the showpiece of the local calendar and gives our community an opportunity to display local arts & crafts, and the achievements of our agriculturalists, horticulturalists and pastoralists. This year the show will be held on Sunday 19th & Monday 20th May.

Some of the sections that feature at our annual Show include, Cattle and Sheep with leading studs entering, wool and fat lambs, hoof & hook and speed shear competitions. Children are encouraged to participate in all areas of the Show such as exhibiting, Junior Judging and the Junior Steward Competition. Our horse events have featured Olympic and international riders, as well as our own local equestrians. The Side Show alley is always great entertainment for the young and the young at heart. In the past few years we have also supplied some great professional entertainment such as the action-packed motorbike and bicycle displays and our very own monster rodeo and the spectacular fireworks that thrill the crowds.

The Nyngan Show Society is made up of community members that are all very keen to make sure the Nyngan Show continues to thrive, and we hope that you are able to support us in making that happen. For further information regarding the terms of the sponsorship please contact Secretary Kathy Korn on 0439 749 814. I have also included the sponsorship package details, but if you would like to specifically sponsor a section such as Baby, Tiny Tot & Junior Competition at the Show or a section in the Wye Pavilion this can also be arranged.

Yours Sincerely

Emily Pitt
SHOW TREASURER

**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

From: max jones [mailto:max2008@live.com.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 5 February 2019 1:53 PM
To: Derek Francis
Subject: Essential Self Storage Water Concerns.

Hello Derek

Thankyou for taking my call the other day and inviting me to put my thoughts in this email. I am writing to you to express my concern about the bogan shire councils decision to not purchase water and fill the ski weir. I believe it should have been filled and my reason is the negative impact its having on small business in the town.

As a farmer having fed 5000 sheep this past year I understand drought and the fragility of water and the issues surrounding access however a number of my clients are Macquarie valley irrigators and have made me aware that the water was there freely available for purchase. I realise the burden placed on Bogan shire councils budget but I believe you have failed to see the flow on effects in real \$\$ terms for the regions small business, particularly Essential self storage.

My business suffered a 25% income reduction in one week, with 5 boats relocating to other ski areas in the central west. To understand my point you will need to learn that more then half of the boats in storage are not local but from Trangie and surrounding areas up to 150km away. These are Ski tourists for your town, their fuel, food, accommodation and other associated spending is not in the town and may not be in the future if they decide to leave their boats elsewhere. This is going to have a negative ripple effect through small business in Nyngan.

This swiftly made me readjust my risk appraisal of the Bogan shire and therefore I have postponed stage two of the storage units which would have injected some \$100,000 for the build, most spent locally. This money has been allocated to build in Condobolin for 2019 as the lake there is/has been full for years.

If this is just the reality for one new small business in Nyngan, imagine the pressure being placed on other business. I implore council to bring about a study of the real cost of not filling the ski area, anything less would just be reckless for future development.

If you would like to discuss this further please email or call me.

Yours Sincerely

Max Jones

Owner Essential Self Storage
Condobolin - Nyngan
0477 033 450



Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogan Shire Council held on 28 February 2019

From: Kylie Pearce [mailto:kylie.a.pearce@det.nsw.edu.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 20 February 2019 10:43 AM
To: Derek Francis
Subject: Nyngan Harmony Day celebration

Good Morning Derek,

I am writing to share that the community of Nyngan are coming together to celebrate Harmony Day on March 21st, 2019 at Larkin Oval.

This celebration will involve all educational settings from Nyngan and surrounding district. Students will be given the opportunity to 'visit' 5 countries on the day. Staff from Nyngan High School, St Josephs Catholic School and Nyngan Public School will be offering engaging activities that focus on 20 countries from around the world. In the given time each child will visit at least 5 of the 'Learning Stations'.

I write to ask if the Bogan Shire might contribute the success of the day through the funding or part funding of a shared BBQ. The BBQ will involve a simple sausage sandwich with onion and sauce on offer. We estimate that there will be approximately 400 children (Pre school / ELC through to NHS) and are hoping members of the community will also join in the fun.

I look forward to your reply.

Regards

Kylie Pearce
Principal - Nyngan Public School
60 Cathundral St, Nyngan.
02 68 321 605



**Precis of Correspondence
Ordinary Meeting of Bogon Shire Council held on 28 February 2019**

-----Original Message-----

From: Rahni Bodanski [mailto:rahni.leelee@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, 18 January 2019 12:56 PM

To: Admin

Subject: NHS Scholarship recipient

To whom ever it concerns,

I Rahni Bodanski would like to extend my gratitude and appreciation for the scholarship I received sponsored by both the Bogon Shire Council and the Nyngan High School P & C. I would like to thank all the individuals who were involved in the granting of the scholarships and also the financial support necessary for said scholarships to exist.

The financial aid I have received will surely assist my transition into a University education enabling full dedication to my studies and ensuring relief relating to any stress arising as a result of financial expectations.

Again I sincerely thank those involved in the creation and allocation of the scholarships offered by Nyngan High School in partnership with the Bogon Shire Council and express my gratitude for the support I have received.

Rahni Bodanski

Bogan Shire Council*
Budget Review
For Period December 2018

Append A

| Outcome | Full Year Original Budget | 2018/19 Sep Approved Changes | September Revised Budget | 2018/19 Dec Recommended Changes | 2018/19 Dec Projected Year End Result | YTD Actuals (incl Oncosts/Commit) |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Grand Total | 4,617,866 | 4,293,409 | 8,911,275 | 0 | 8,911,275 | 1,166,869 |
| Operating | 1,226,455 | 103,037 | 1,329,492 | -1,255,699 | 73,793 | -1,291,321 |
| Social | 1,813,156 | 78,075 | 1,891,231 | 0 | 1,891,231 | 937,109 |
| Social & Cultural | 177,137 | 26,780 | 203,917 | 0 | 203,917 | 63,635 |
| Community Centres | 1,141,021 | -108 | 1,140,913 | 0 | 1,140,913 | 608,248 |
| Inclusive Communities | 153,360 | 0 | 153,360 | 0 | 153,360 | -19,899 |
| Transport Networks | 2,298,276 | 23,467 | 2,321,743 | -146,140 | 2,175,603 | 1,629,413 |
| Plant System | -436,172 | 12,173 | -423,999 | -1,000 | -424,999 | -666,414 |
| Water | -260,894 | 0 | -260,894 | 0 | -260,894 | -318,756 |
| Sewer | 136,603 | 0 | 136,603 | 0 | 136,603 | -188,444 |
| Environmental | 1,637,343 | 20,739 | 1,658,082 | 2,700 | 1,660,782 | 597,303 |
| Built Environment | 1,210,701 | -34,511 | 1,176,190 | 0 | 1,176,190 | 655,979 |
| Waste & Recycling | -6,260 | -2,056 | -8,316 | 2,700 | -5,616 | -366,475 |
| Natural Environment | 62,300 | 10,600 | 72,900 | 0 | 72,900 | 45,531 |
| Health, Safety & Regulation | 370,602 | 46,706 | 417,308 | 0 | 417,308 | 262,268 |
| Economic | 197,478 | 15,000 | 212,478 | 0 | 212,478 | 109,198 |
| Local Industries and Business | 51,752 | 15,000 | 66,752 | 0 | 66,752 | 51,606 |
| Tourism | 78,226 | 0 | 78,226 | 0 | 78,226 | 29,956 |
| Public Transport and Air Services | 67,500 | 0 | 67,500 | 0 | 67,500 | 27,636 |
| Civic Leadership | -4,159,335 | -46,417 | -4,205,752 | -1,108,559 | -5,314,311 | -3,151,580 |
| Leadership, Advocacy & Governance | 516,634 | -2,000 | 514,634 | 0 | 514,634 | 295,497 |
| Managing Our Business | -4,688,969 | -44,417 | -4,733,386 | -1,108,559 | -5,841,945 | -3,453,180 |
| Disaster Management | 13,000 | 0 | 13,000 | 0 | 13,000 | 6,102 |
| Labour Overheads | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2,700 | -2,700 | -239,148 |
| Labour Overheads System | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2,700 | -2,700 | -239,148 |
| Capital | 3,391,411 | 4,190,372 | 7,581,783 | 1,255,699 | 8,837,482 | 2,458,189 |
| Community Centres | 61,317 | 383,127 | 444,444 | 452,629 | 897,073 | 483,114 |
| Public Health | 24,786 | 4,700 | 29,486 | 0 | 29,486 | 16,103 |
| Emergency Services | 0 | 1,332 | 1,332 | 87,387 | 88,719 | 89,919 |
| Infrastructure | 2,942,545 | 2,219,698 | 5,162,243 | 257,640 | 5,419,883 | 1,221,418 |
| Transport Networks | 661,245 | 822,848 | 1,484,093 | 257,640 | 1,741,733 | 200,524 |
| Plant System | 1,424,300 | 136,000 | 1,560,300 | 0 | 1,560,300 | 606,971 |
| Water | 663,000 | 861,381 | 1,524,381 | 0 | 1,524,381 | 350,062 |
| Sewer | 194,000 | 399,469 | 593,469 | 0 | 593,469 | 63,861 |
| Environmental | 174,424 | 1,219,685 | 1,394,109 | 358,043 | 1,752,152 | 549,664 |
| Built Environment | 128,000 | 698,858 | 826,858 | 358,043 | 1,184,901 | 427,528 |
| Waste & Recycling | 39,424 | 520,827 | 560,251 | 0 | 560,251 | 122,136 |
| Health, Safety & Regulation | 7,000 | 0 | 7,000 | 0 | 7,000 | 0 |
| Economic | 29,500 | 174,515 | 204,015 | 0 | 204,015 | 11,600 |
| Local Industries and Business | 24,000 | 75,897 | 99,897 | 0 | 99,897 | 8,510 |
| Tourism | 2,500 | 5,618 | 8,118 | 0 | 8,118 | 3,090 |
| Public Transport and Air Services | 3,000 | 93,000 | 96,000 | 0 | 96,000 | 0 |
| Civic Leadership | 120,000 | 124,526 | 244,526 | 100,000 | 344,526 | 37,711 |
| Leadership, Advocacy & Governance | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Managing Our Business | 120,000 | 99,526 | 219,526 | 100,000 | 319,526 | 28,821 |
| Disaster Management | 0 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 0 | 25,000 | 8,890 |

Bogan Shire Council
 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW SUMMARY

| | December Budget Review Statement of Adjustments 2018/2019 | | | | APPENDIX B |
|---------------------------|---|--------------|-------------------|-------------|---|
| | Favourable | Unfavourable | Neutral Transfers | Net | Notes |
| OPERATING BUDGET | - 1,507,644 | 251,945 | - | - 1,255,699 | |
| 1 Social | - | - | - | - | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| 2 Infrastructure | - 298,530 | 151,390 | - | - 147,140 | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Drought Relief | 296,030 | | | 296,030 | Grant Received - Rehabilitation to Cockies Road |
| RMCC Ordered Works | | | 1,000,000 | - | Additional Ordered works compared to budget - Lohn Project |
| Workshop Income | 2,500 | | | 2,500 | Wages Subsidy |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Private Works | | 150,000 | | 150,000 | Improve Main Street Buildings - not owned by Council |
| RMCC Ordered Works | | | 1,000,000 | - | Additional Expenditure - \$150,000 Wages, \$570,000 Materials & Contracts, \$280,000 Plant Hire |
| Street Lighting | | 1,390 | | 1,390 | Consultants |
| 3 Environmental | - 100,000 | 100,000 | - | - | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Crown Land Management | 100,000 | | | 100,000 | Grant for Crown Land Management Plans |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Crown Land Management | | 100,000 | | 100,000 | Costs involved in Crown Land Management Plans |
| 4 Economic | - | - | - | - | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| 5 Civic Leadership | - 1,109,114 | 555 | - | - 1,108,559 | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Grants & Subsidies | 1,000,000 | | | 1,000,000 | Grant Funding for Drought Communities Program |
| Rates Income | | 555 | | 555 | Pensioner Subsidy Grant less than budgeted |
| Other Corporate Income | 8,559 | | | 8,559 | Statewide Rebate - more than budgeted |
| Information Technology | 100,000 | | | 100,000 | Additional Grant Funds for Asset Management - to be split with Warren & Gilgandra |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Rates Expenses | 555 | | | 555 | Valuation Expenses adjusted |

Bogan Shire Council
QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW SUMMARY

| CAPITAL BUDGET | Budget Review Adjustments | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---|
| | Favourable | Unfavourable | Neutral Transfers | Net | Description |
| 1 Social | 1,863,075 | 3,118,774 | - | 1,255,699 | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Sport & Recreational Facilities | | 4,545 | | 4,545 | Adjustment for GST on Showground Grant Funds |
| Sport & Recreational Facilities | 60,000 | | | 60,000 | 2nd Round SCCF Grant |
| Swimming Pool | 251,630 | | | 251,630 | 2nd Round SCCF Grant |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Parks & Reserves - Playgrounds | | 4,161 | | 4,161 | Additional Costs to Grant funding - Lions Park |
| Sport & Recreational Facilities | 7,371 | | | 7,371 | Savings on Raw Water Irrigation at Showground |
| Sport & Recreational Facilities | | 5,184 | | 5,184 | Additional Costs to Grant funding - Moonagee Park |
| Sport & Recreational Facilities | 4,545 | | | 4,545 | Adjustment for GST on Showground Grant Funds |
| Cemetery | 10,000 | | | 10,000 | Savings on Cemetery Gate |
| Swimming Pool | | 269,000 | | 269,000 | Upgrade Amenities and Façade \$115,000 New Water Play \$154,000 from Drought Communities Grant Funds |
| Community Capital Works | | 200,000 | | 200,000 | Renovations to Coolabah Hall \$170,000 Revitalise Wye Pavillion \$30,000 from Drought Communities Grant funds |
| Community Capital Works | 39,345 | | | 39,345 | Savings on Capital Projects - Heritage Park & Nymagee Street |
| Community Capital Works | | 31,000 | | 31,000 | Historical Building upgrades \$31,000 from Drought Community Grant Funds |
| Emergency Services | 1,332 | 88,719 | | 87,387 | Savings on Office Equipment for Training Room \$1332 Additional Costs to SES Building \$88,719 |
| Sport & Recreational Facilities | | 60,000 | | 60,000 | Geeing up the Jockey Rooms - SCCF Grant |
| Swimming Pool | | 132,640 | | 132,640 | Splashplay & 1/2 Basketball Court Nyngan Pool - SCCF Grant |
| Swimming Pool | | 118,990 | | 118,990 | Solar Heating Nyngan Pool - SCCF Grant |
| 2 Infrastructure | 463,390 | 721,030 | - | 257,640 | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Block Repair Grant - Regional Roads | 150,000 | | | 150,000 | RMS Repair Grant for Cockies Road |
| Grants & Subsidies | 275,000 | | | 275,000 | 2nd Round SCCF Grant |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Roads Capital Works | 25,463 | | | 25,463 | Savings from Capital Project Construct & Seal 110m Oxley St at ELC |
| Block Grant Regional Road Expenditure | | 150,000 | | 150,000 | Expenditure on Cockies Road for Repair Grant |
| Drought Relief - Capital Works | | 296,030 | | 296,030 | Expenditure on Cockies Road for Repair Grant |
| Roads - Urban Facilities | 7,927 | | | 7,927 | Savings from Capital Projects - Concrete footpath ELC \$2,540 Waste Bin Enclosures \$5,387 |
| Engineering Workshop | 5,000 | | | 5,000 | Savings from Capital Project - Welder Set out Plate |
| Footpaths | | 275,000 | | 275,000 | Recreation and Exercise Pathway Nymagee St - SCCF Grant |
| 3 Environmental | 1,025,462 | 1,383,505 | - | 358,043 | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Building Revenue | 995,000 | | | 995,000 | 2nd Round SCCF Grant |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Building Capital Works | | 38,505 | | 38,505 | Architect, Surveyors, Structural Engineers - Town Hall & Palais Theatre |
| Building Capital Works | | 350,000 | | 350,000 | Larkin Oval Canteen Redevelopment from Drought Community Fund Grants |
| Building Capital Works | 29,962 | | | 29,962 | Use Disability Inclusion Action Plan funds for SES Building |
| Building Capital Works | 500 | | | 500 | Savings on Capital Project - Renew Depot Toilets |
| Building Capital Works | | 995,000 | | 995,000 | Nyngan Seniors Affordable Living - SCCF Grant |
| 4 Economic | - | - | - | - | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| 5 Civic Leadership | - | 100,000 | - | 100,000 | |
| Revenue | | | | | |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Computer Hardware/Software | | 100,000 | | 100,000 | Costs for Asset Management Software to be split between Gilgandra and Warren |

| Ref | Description | Asset Category | Original Budget | 2018/19 Carryover (2017/18 Operating Revenue) | 1st Budget Review | 2nd Budget Review | Loans | Grants | Plant Fund | 2018/19 General Fund Revenue | 2018/19 Sewer Fund Revenue | 2018/19 Water Fund Revenue | Transfer from Water Fund Reserve | Other | Total |
|-----|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---|---|-------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|------------|
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3950 | 07350.0741 | Construct & Seal 170m Terangon Street | New Asset | 25,000 | | | 25,000 | | | | | 25,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3687.200 | 07350.0740 | Construct & Seal 110m Okley St at ELC | New Asset | 25,663 | | | -25,663 | | | | | |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3951 | 07350.0740 | Additional Re-sheeting & Re-sealing | New Asset | 150,000 | | | 150,000 | | | | | 150,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3952 | 07350.0745 | Pipe Culvert Renewals Rural roads | New Asset | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | | | 20,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3953 | 07350.0745 | Pipe Culvert Renewals Rural roads | Renewal of Asset | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | | | 20,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3954 | 07350.0745 | Pangree Road Culverts | Renewal of Asset | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | | | 20,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3955 | 07350.0745 | Bridge Repair Program | Renewal of Asset | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | | | 20,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3956.73 | 07350.0740 | New Footpath Construction Mine Village to Pioneer Park | New Asset | 20,000 | | | 20,000 | | | | | 20,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3838.200 | 07330.0700 | Construct concrete footpath at ELC | New Asset | 2540 | | | 2540 | | | | | 2540 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3956.73 | 07350.0740 | Rural Addressing - Signs and placement | New Asset | 50,000 | | | 50,000 | | | | | 50,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3689.200 | 07350.0740 | Roads closed signs | New Asset | 18,600 | | | 18,600 | | | | | 18,600 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3694.200 | 07350.0745 | Wyes Road box Culvert | New Asset | 15,000 | | | 15,000 | | | | | 15,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3957.200 | 07570.0740 | Civil Works Tools | New Asset | 5,000 | | | 5,000 | | | | | 5,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3958.200 | 07510.0810 | Aerodrome - Runway Gables | New Asset | 3,000 | | | 3,000 | | | | | 3,000 |
| 4.3 | Public Transport & Air Services | MES | W3175.206 | 07510.0810 | Reseal Apron - Stage 2 | Renewal of Asset | 93,000 | | | | | | | | 93,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3904.213 | 07540.0705.0555 | Additions of Plant as per spreadsheet | Renewal of Asset | 2,083,000 | | | 2,083,000 | | | | | 2,083,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | 0 | 01550.0950.0955 | Disposal of Plant as per spreadsheet | Income | -658,700 | | | -658,700 | | | | | -658,700 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3698.214 | 07540.0705.0555 | Mechanical Digger | New Asset | 100,000 | | | 100,000 | | | | | 100,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3698.213 | 07540.0705.0555 | Utility (Workshop) | New Asset | 28,000 | | | 28,000 | | | | | 28,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | W3698.213 | 07540.0705.0555 | Medium Truck 309 | New Asset | 125,000 | | | 125,000 | | | | | 125,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | 159 | 01550.0950.0955 | Sale - Utility Holden Colorado 4x2 SC Can Chassis BT8TR | New Asset | -15,000 | | | | | | | | -15,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | 640 | 01550.0950.0955 | Sale - Loader Front End BR93WH | New Asset | -60,000 | | | | | | | | -60,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | 309 | 01550.0950.0955 | Sale - Isuzu FTR 900L Tipper AV95AA | New Asset | -42,000 | | | | | | | | -42,000 |
| 2.1 | Transport Networks | MES | 109,294 | | Capital portion of Loan Repayments | | 109,294 | | | 109,294 | | | | | 109,294 |
| | Subtotal - General Fund | | 3,330,779 | 2,929,522 | 446,918 | 3,057,377 | 0 | 4,290,994 | 1,424,300 | 1,119,780 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9,764,596 |
| | | | 4,362,779 | 4,190,372 | 1,216,918 | 3,057,377 | 0 | 5,235,994 | 1,424,300 | 1,119,780 | 194,000 | 663,000 | 0 | 0 | 12,827,446 |

Appendix D

Capital Item

11. Capital Budget